

Today

Hiram Johnson's Fee.
Kicked Upstairs.
Things to Discover.
Make Work Attractive.
By Arthur Brisbane

The New York "World" and some others are excited because the City of New York pays Hiram Johnson \$25,000 for defeating a rascally crowd that was trying to raise the street-car fare from 5 cents to 8 cents.

The whole thing was cut and dried; everything had been made ready by the State Legislature.

Then the mayor hired Hiram Johnson to defend the city. And now the Governor of the State announces that he thinks the 5-cent fare is "permanent." He may well THINK it, for it is.

An 8-cent fare to the people of New York would have meant sixty million dollars a year taken out of the pockets of working girls, boys, men and women. What is the value to New York of the work that Hiram Johnson did, backed by the city's mayor?

The city ought to have paid Johnson at least a quarter of a million, he should have charged that amount, and it would have been extremely moderate.

No fee is considered too high for the lawyer that helps corporations to cheat the people, but any fee is too high, apparently, for a man who takes the people's side.

That fact starts many young lawyers in the wrong direction. As one lawyer truly remarked: "The only favor a common man can do me is to get run over by the cars. Then I can make some money defending the car company when he sues it."

Senator Kenyon of Iowa, leader in the Farm Bloc, is gently lifted out of the Senate, put on the Federal bench. A pity to take a good fighting man from active constructive work and put him to deciding other people's quarrels. Mr. Harding is free from guile of any kind. Otherwise, you would be reminded of the English habit of boosting a nuisance in the House of Commons up into the House of Lords, promoting him into uselessness. Judge Kenyon, however, may still be useful to farmers. Judges can write opinions; need not be sidetracked unless they permit it.

A young officer was washed overboard by a huge wave, lost, apparently, then washed back by another wave and is all right. Is not that remarkable as the story of a sailor?

Might it explain the behavior of that story? Things might be telling; the story might be a wave, and end with a General.

The New Jersey Chamber of Commerce advises employers to pay over their workers, stop drives against unions and plan co-operation.

Wise advice, you cannot be forced or coerced men that can read the vote. The headline may seem quiet them for a time and prohibition, as one great industrial leader has said, may "make them idle" for a while. But in the long run, unless you make industry ATTRACTIVE, you will not have an end of unrest. Man cannot live by bread alone, or by good wages alone. He must be interested.

In a "bootblack parlor" half a dozen were working. One worked much harder than the others. When his job was done he worked feverishly at the other foot of any man near him, helping everybody. "Good worker you've got there," said a customer to the cashier. "Sure, he's the boss, he owns the place." In modern industry the individual worker cannot own the factory or steel works.

But if you want industrial peace, you have GOT to make his labor ATTRACTIVE. Think that over. You cannot do it by hanging up nice mottoes, building a gymnasium, or providing clean towels. Such things would not have made that bootblack sweat at his willing work, in cold weather. The thing CAN be done. Kings have tried it, giving bands of music, fancy uniforms, decorations and loot to their soldiers. Their mood was important.

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THE WEATHER.

San Francisco, Oakland and vicinity: Wednesday 1st: moderate westerly winds. E. A. REALS, Forecaster.

SENATE PASSES WAR DEBT BILL 39 TO 25

ANGLO-FRENCH SUBMARINE SPLIT REVIVED; WIFE'S FIGHT WINS BANKER GRANT PAROLE

PRISON DOORS SOON TO OPEN FOR CASHIER

Santa Rosan, Convicted of Helping to Wreck Bank, Will Soon Join Loyal Spouse

Woman's Struggle to Free Man Led Her to Valley of Death; Temporary Parole Saved Life

William C. Grant, formerly assistant cashier of the defunct First National Bank of Santa Rosa, now serving a five-year sentence in San Quentin prison, was yesterday paroled by Attorney General Daugherty in Washington.

Three weeks ago, Grant, under guard and upon special orders from Washington, was permitted to visit his wife in Merritt Hospital, Oakland, where she was critically ill. His presence at her bedside saved her life, physicians said.

Recuperating at her home in Santa Rosa, the wife was informed yesterday that her husband would soon be free to rejoin her.

"Thank God," were her first words, murmured in fervent prayer.

Her illness was due to nervous prostration brought on through worry and her almost constant efforts to obtain the release of her husband.

Warden James A. Johnston of San Quentin prison had received no official word up until last night of Grant's parole being granted. He said that the papers would probably be forwarded by mail.

Implicated in wrecking the Santa Rosa Bank, Grant was sentenced to prison on April 23, 1920. Convicted at the same time were Frank Brush, cashier and H. K. Loughery, an assistant cashier.

It was explained in Washington yesterday that Grant had served twenty-one months or more than one-third of his sentence necessary to render him eligible to parole.

Approval of his parole marks the end of a spectacular battle to obtain his release, which was started by his wife immediately after he had been sentenced. She was convinced of his innocence and never gave up faith that he would be freed.

Reported dying in the hospital early last month, Mrs. Grant cried almost constantly for her husband. Physicians said that the only thing that could save her life was his presence at her bedside. He came and she lived.

After Grant had been taken back to prison following his visit to the hospital, his attorney, Edwin McKenzie, continued the wife's efforts to have him paroled. Congressman Julius Kahn became interested in the case and was instrumental in obtaining the parole.

45 Millions Given Away by Rockefeller

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—(By Universal Service.)—John D. Rockefeller is again giving money away. For the advancement of medical science and education he today gave \$45,000,000 to the general education board.

This gift brings his total donations to the general education board to \$126,788,094. This was made known in a report of the board made public today.

First 24 Loans To Veterans to Buy Land, Homes Passed By State

Majority of Men to Use Cash to Purchase Houses; 500 to Get Grants in Few Weeks

SACRAMENTO, Jan. 31.—The State Veterans' Welfare Board, in session here, late today approved the claims of twenty-four wounded California veterans for aid under the Farm and Home Purchase Act passed by the last Legislature.

Each of the awards, however, is subject to reversal in the event a personal examination of the applicant fails to corroborate statements made in his application for assistance.

The twenty-four men whose applications were approved will be the first in the State to receive loans with which to purchase either homes or farms and the action of the veterans' board today marks the opening of active administration of this phase of the State aid program for former service men.

The names of the successful applicants will not be made public until they have been summoned before the board for personal examination.

Robert F. Smith, secretary of the veterans' board, declared in announcing the awards that the majority of those made today were to men desiring to secure homes.

The veterans' board expects to authorize the purchase of farms or homes for at least 100 veterans in its present session, Smith said.

A total of 500 wounded service men will receive loans with which to purchase homes or farms during the next few weeks, it was stated, and the remainder of the applicants who claimed preference by reason of wounds will be cared for when the \$10,000,000 bond issue to be voted upon by the people in November is sanctioned. The bond issue also will care for all other veterans, regardless of whether they were incapacitated while in the service.

Two Strike Threats Menace Germany

BERLIN, Jan. 31.—(Special Cable Dispatch.)—Two strike threats menace Berlin tonight. One which is not taken so seriously is the threatened action of actors and actresses in all Berlin theaters to go out. The other is the general railway strike, which is scheduled to begin throughout Germany at midnight.

The government is making extensive preparations to counter the railway strike. Up to 6 o'clock this afternoon all efforts to avert the strike were regarded as futile, and it is feared that outbreaks and disturbances may come when the men go out at midnight.

Rathenau Is Foreign Minister at Berlin

BERLIN, Jan. 31.—(By the Associated Press.)—Walter Rathenau, former German minister of reconstruction and later German representative at various economic conferences with the Allies, has been appointed German foreign minister.

Forty Auto Deaths in L. A. in Thirty Days

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 31.—Forty deaths and 411 injured in 2,635 reported automobile accidents is the record in Los Angeles and vicinity for the first thirty days of the year.

PLOTTERS IN PANIC OVER REVOLT TALES

American Oil Interests Met With Mexico Conspirators a Week Ago; Agents in Washington

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—(By Universal Service.)—Universal Service today makes the amazing disclosure of a conference between American oil interests and General Pablo Gonzalez a week ago.

It is shown that a high official of the National Association for the Protection of American Rights in Mexico arrived at Laredo, Texas, on January 24, this year, to confer with Gonzalez.

It was at Laredo, the home and place of business of the wealthy Gonzalez, that the National Association presented its plans while Gonzalez was plotting to overthrow the government of President Alvaro Obregon of Mexico last July.

Accompanying the National Association official, the report cites, was Francisco Murguia. The report of the conference reads in this connection:

While it is not known in detail what was said in the conference held by these people, it has been learned that they were related to what the Hearst newspapers have been publishing lately in regard to Mexico.

With oil capitalists becoming increasingly active along the Mexican border there has been a noticeable scurrying of similar representatives in channels that lead to Washington.

Visits of men whose connections with moneyed interests and with negotiations to overthrow Obregon are known to have been reported. They have had conferences with prominent persons here.

Although rumors have reached Washington that the groups were rallying under oil-meared flags to try to save the National Association and many other interests from the congressional investigation that has been proposed in the Congress, revealed today is important confirmation of that belief. The report adds:

Recently Buckley (William F. Buckley) arrived in this city (Laredo), having conferred with Judge J. Valls. It is known that Buckley came with the object of getting directly in communication with his associate, Kearful (Francis Kearful), who is at present in Mexico. Buckley had interest to receive certain documents of secret character which were sent to him by Kearful and upon the receipt of same he returned to Washington.

INTRIGUE CHARGE.

Wm. F. Buckley was formerly a prominent member of the National Association. A year ago today he, together with two other men, issued a circular letter in which he told of a split he and others of the association had had with the National Association.

Buckley and his colleagues formed the American Association of Mexico. In codes presented to Universal Service the National Association was known sometimes as the "Big Bakery" and the American Association as the "Little Bakery."

Judge Francis Kearful, mentioned in the above report, was attorney for the Fall committee in its investigations on Mexico.

They take their own medicine. Read the interesting advertisement of Emil Brischler & Staff, Advertising Engineers, page 7.—Adv.

Too Much Law Causes Crime, Congress Told

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—Quoting police department records, Representative Tinkham, Republican, Massachusetts, declared in the House today that more murders were committed in Washington last year than in London, and that the situation was due to "the destruction of the American... through legislative..."

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M. JUSSERAND RAPS BRITISH SPOKESMAN

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Bonus Provision Cut From War Debt Bill, Soldier Aid Question Left Open

House Committee Hears Veterans in Demand for Action Not Excuses and Objections

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—Discussion of the long pending soldier bonus bill was renewed today.

Before the House Ways and Means Committee, which by agreement of Republican leaders in Congress reopened hearings, officers of organizations of former service men urged immediate action on the bill, and, in reply to questions, said that the problem of raising the necessary funds was one for Congress to solve.

In the Senate, Republican leaders frustrated attempts by the Democrats to add the bonus bill to the allied debt refunding measure. After brief but heated debate, the Senate adopted, 42 to 38, a motion by Senator Watson, Republican, Indiana, to lay on the table an amendment offered by Senator Simmons, Democrat, North Carolina, incorporating the "five-way" adjusted compensation plan.

The amendment would have provided that the bonus be paid out of the interest on the foreign debt and that if this should prove insufficient, the secretary of the treasury should issue certificates of indebtedness to be redeemed out of future interest payments, or, with the approval of the President, to sell so much of the foreign bonds as might be necessary.

Later the Senate rejected, 43 to 21, an amendment by Senator Jones, Democrat, New Mexico, which carried the "five-way" plan but had no provision for raising funds.

The date of the maturity of the obligations accepted by the commission could not extend beyond June 15, 1947, and the interest rate could not be less than 4 1/2 per cent. Bonds of one foreign government could not be accepted for those of another, nor could any part of the foreign indebtedness be cancelled.

DEBT COMMISSION.

The life of the commission would be three years from the date of approval of the act and the members, other than the secretary of the treasury, would be appointed by the President subject to confirmation by the Senate. During its life the commission would be required to make annual reports to Congress at the beginning of each regular session in December.

Only members of the Cabinet and of Congress will be appointed on the debt commission, according to Senator Watson, Republican, Indiana, who told the Senate that, although he was not authorized by the President to make such an announcement, he nevertheless knew this was the President's intention.

Aside from the section providing that interest on the refunded debt be not less than 4 1/2 per cent, which was added as an amendment from the finance committee, the only important change made in the bill by the Senate was the elimination of a provision which would have given the commission authority to settle and refund any claims which the United States hereafter might have against "any foreign government."

AMENDMENTS FAIL.

Efforts to add a soldiers' bonus provision to the measure; to limit authority of the commission in deferring interest payments and to require congressional approval of the bond conversion agreements failed. The Senate did adopt, however, an amendment requiring the commission after the conclusion of such refunding negotiation to report the results to the Senate.

During the more than a week of debate it was charged from both sides of the chamber that it was the purpose to defer interest payments for a number of years in the interest of private holders in this coun-

SOLONS VOTE TO REFUND ALL LOANS

Time Limit Is Fixed at Twenty-five Years, Interest Must Be 4-4 Per Cent or More

WASHINGTON, Jan. 31.—The bill authorizing the refunding of the eleven billion dollars foreign debt into securities maturing in not more than twenty-five years, was passed tonight by the Senate.

The vote was 29 to 25. Final enactment of the measure must await adjustment of differences between the House and Senate which is expected within a week or ten days.

Three Republicans, Borah, La Follette and Norris, joined with the solid Democratic minority in opposing the bill.

Under the bill, a commission of five, headed by the secretary of the treasury, would have authority, subject to the approval of the President, to refund or convert, and to extend time of payment of the principal or the interest, or both, of the foreign debt.

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What Ails the Unions?
Worry for Foreigners.
American Iron.
Bench and Politics.

By Arthur Brisbane

These are not cheerful days for union labor. The packing house workers in Chicago went on strike. Once that would have meant a long struggle and probably victory for the strikers. Now their leader advises them to call off the strike absolutely, and get back their jobs if they can.

IF THEY CAN is the unpleasant word. Doubtless the employers realize that it is wise to be generous in victory, unwise to add more than is necessary to bitter discontent.

Union labor, reviewing repeated defeats that unionism has suffered since the war, should do some hard thinking.

When a business man finds things going wrong, he takes an inventory of his goods and of himself.

Union labor should take stock, examine itself, its leadership and find what is wrong.

This is not said in criticism, but by a friend.

The present tendency and intention of capital and government apparently is to break down the power of unions, destroy them if possible, and put labor back to the old "take what you get or starve" business, tempered by the employers' generosity or sense of caution.

Nothing could be more dangerous than to destroy unions, which are necessary as capital, in giving balance and stability to industry.

But the majority of employers don't know that. And the unpleasant experience that may come to the employers later will not help wives and children of men that find themselves out of work, or irregularly employed today.

The funding bill, for foreign debt, rushes through the Senate. As the bill dealing with billions goes through, an amendment that would attach to it a bonus for soldiers is knocked on the head and killed.

How touching to see government so solicitous about the welfare of foreign countries, worrying about their ability to pay what they borrowed, while the same government is not in the least worried about American soldiers that were taken from their homes and their jobs.

You remember when soldiers were marching away. Liberty bonds were being sold and the patriotic tom-tom was being hammered. What a change, since then.

A tube is to be built under the Hudson connecting New York and New Jersey. It will be made of huge cast iron sections big enough for automobiles to run through. And this is the good point: Contractors will not be allowed to use any iron not made in the United States.

Let those that love all the world as much as the United States, or a little better, grow if they like. But that's a first-class rule.

What is done, spent and used in America should first of all give work to those that LIVE IN America and profit to those that DO BUSINESS in America.

Fools may prefer to buy their fancy clothing abroad, but States, cities and the national government at least should set the example, buying at home.

What a father does for his children, government should do for its citizens, and first of all it should protect them and promote their prosperity.

A telegram from Seibold, in Washington, to Frank Munsey's newspapers says that Senator Kenyon, retiring from the Senate, to the bench, enters the race for the presidency.

Mr. Hughes jumped from the highest bench, almost into the presidency, not quite. But an important judgeship is the worst possible start in a presidential campaign. A judge should have his mind on the law, made by the people—with perhaps a little as-

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G. H. WILLIAMS,
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ARBUCKLE JURY LOCKED UP FOR NIGHT; ARMS MEET ADOPTS NAVY, DIVER PACTS

NO RETRIAL IF JURY SPLITS, BRADY SAYS

Arbuckle Jury, Deadlocked After Starting Deliberations at 3:45, Locked Up at 11 P. M.

Alternate Jurors on Being Excused Say Their Verdict Would Have Been 'Not Guilty'

BY OSCAR H. FERNBACH.

Once more a jury is divided in its opinion of the guilt or innocence of Roscoe Arbuckle, charged with manslaughter of Virginia Rappe. Unable thus far to reach an agreement, the eleven men and one woman who are debating the evidence were locked up for the night by order of Judge Louderback, at eleven o'clock last night.

The case had been submitted to them at 3:45 yesterday afternoon, but the actual time which had been consumed in deliberation when the instruction was given to Deputy Sheriff McGovern to take them to their hotel amounted only to two hours and fifty-five minutes.

There was no intimation as to how the jury stands nor what it is that is dividing them. Nothing could be gleaned from their countenances as at 4:40 yesterday afternoon they filed in to have read to them the testimony given by Josephine Keza, the hotel chambermaid, nor when at 10:15 last night they again were brought into the courtroom following their request to hear once more, in full, the instructions which had previously been given them by Judge Louderback.

ARBCKLE CALM.

Arbuckle gave no evidence of his thoughts regarding the failure of the jury to bring in a quick verdict of acquittal. From the moment the jury first left the courtroom he exhibited no concern, no matter what he may have felt. Part of the time found him walking up and down the corridor, smoking, chatting with his attorneys or listening with interest to the discussions among the waiting newspaper men. Part of the time he sat in the courtroom comforting his wife, Minta Durfee Arbuckle, upon whom the strain of the uncertain vigil was telling visibly.

"Oh, I think they'll acquit me," was his confident answer to a request for a statement.

The spectators, who crowded the courtroom until the end, were for the most part plainly disappointed. A verdict of acquittal within a short time had been freely prophesied. Even District Attorney Brady and his assistants, Milton U'Ren and Leo Friedman, frankly admitted no hope of a conviction.

"I'm done," announced Brady as the jury filed out after hearing the instructions. "No matter what the outcome of this trial may be, it's all over so far as I am concerned."

And the district attorney threw up his hands in emphasis of the announced decision not to bring Arbuckle to trial again in case of a disagreement.

ATTORNEYS CONCERNED.

McNab, Schmulowitz, Brennan, Cohen and McInerney, the quintet that has defended Arbuckle, all were greatly concerned by the fact that the jury apparently was divided, but all expressed the belief that whatever difference exists between the jurors is one of honest opinion and is not caused by any arbitrary attitude.

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AWAITS JURY'S VERDICT



Roscoe (Fatty) Arbuckle, film comedian, whose fate for a second time was placed in the hands of a jury late yesterday afternoon. Arbuckle was on trial for manslaughter, following the death of Virginia Rappe, a movie actress, here last September.

PACKING HOUSE STRIKE BROKEN

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—(By Universal Service.)—The packing house strike ended today. Dennis Lane, secretary of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen of North America, officially announced the strike had been called off and the men were free to return to work if they could find jobs.

The order calling off the strike today said:

"Continuance of the strike would be useless and would cause unnecessary suffering among our members."

The packing companies claim the ending of the strike is a victory for them. They claim to have won control of wages and working conditions through plant assemblies with the workers instead of through the union.

Chicago, Omaha, Sioux City, Oklahoma City, Fort Worth, St. Louis, Kansas City and Buffalo are the principal cities affected.

Marshal Yamagata,

Japan Prince, Dead

TOKIO, Feb. 1.—(By the Associated Press.)—Field Marshal Prince Yamagata, Japan's octogenarian publicist, one of the few remaining "genro" or elder statesmen, died at 1:40 o'clock this afternoon.

GERMAN RAIL STRIKE TONIGHT

BERLIN, Feb. 1.—(By the Associated Press.)—The executive committee of the railway men's union has decided to proclaim a general railway strike at midnight tonight.

The government has announced it will take aggressive measures in the event of a strike. Government authorities point out that the workmen and leaders have taken an oath to support the government, and declare that in case of disobedience of traffic they will be prosecuted.

This is the first time in the history of Germany that the government has expressed its determination to take drastic steps against a labor union.

Only the most radical labor quarters openly approve of the strike decision, the moderates contending that proper consideration was not given to the question before the vote was taken.

In the meantime, the strike leaders are in hiding, fearing arrest.

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YEAR IN JAIL FOR REFUSING HIS TESTIMONY

Harry Bates Draws Sentence for Contempt When He Declines to Aid U. S. Against Clancy

BY WILLIAM H. JORDAN.

Harry Bates refused yesterday to be sworn as a witness for the Government at the trial of Joseph Clancy, under indictment charges of violating the Federal narcotic traffic law, and was sentenced by Federal Judge Dooling to one year in the county jail for contempt of court, a term not equalled in the records of the Federal courts here.

Defiant and stubborn, Bates brought to court under a military guard, declined to accept first the kindly admonition and then the explicit warning from Judge Dooling that he must impose a severe punishment if Bates maintained his attitude of contempt.

The excuse that Bates gave: that he would incriminate himself if sworn as a witness did not hold good with the court. For it was only after he may have become a witness by taking the oath that he could plead that constitutional right of protection, according to the United States Attorney's office.

TAKEN TO PRESIDIO.

Bates was sent back to the Presidio under his guard, Private Paul L. Lambrecht, who has had him in custody since he was turned over to the military authorities on a charge of being a "draft evader" in the war.

The sentence imposed by Judge Dooling will be effective after Bates has been discharged by the military forces. Bates goes to a courtmartial on Monday, February 6, at the Presidio.

Bates has figured throughout the Clancy trial and the preliminary proceedings before the federal Grand Jury, which indicted Clancy and some others, as the man who was the go-between in the alleged illicit purchase of narcotics from Clancy at the Coronado bar, and the federal narcotic agents who for months had been trying to get the evidence that would put Clancy's case before the federal Grand Jury.

BATES HELD DOPE KING.

Clancy has a reputation among the federal and State government narcotic officials of being the big man here in the illicit narcotic traffic.

Bates, according to testimony of federal agents in the trial this week, was the man who had on several specified occasions, as set forth in the indictment, purchased morphine from Clancy in the Coronado bar.

Bates was held as Government witness after the raids last May. Subsequently he was turned over to the military authorities. In the Presidio guardhouse he was visited by a woman a month or so ago, said to have been his wife. He became so ill that his life was despaired of and it was reported that he had obtained narcotics that poisoned him from the woman.

Bates was summoned before the Grand Jury to testify and refused to do so. He was adjudged guilty of contempt at that time and ordered to appear and testify a second time, subsequent to the time that he had been transferred to the military authorities' control.

The United States Attorney's office has been investigating how

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TUNNEL TO SUNSET DIST. IS AUTHORIZED

Supervisors' Committee Will Recommend Creation of an Assessment Zone to Raise Fund

Residents of the Sunset district won their fight yesterday before the Supervisors' Public Utilities Committee for a street car tunnel under Buena Vista Park. After hearings that have lasted for months the committee agreed unanimously yesterday to recommend the creation of an assessment district for the construction of a tunnel for the accommodation of an extension of the Municipal Street Railway into that district.

Last October the Supervisors appropriated the sum of \$500,000 out of the Municipal Street Railway funds for the building of an extension from the ocean beach eastward toward the heart of the city. Just how the eastern terminal of the road was to be connected with the Municipal Street Railway system was at that time left for future settlement.

The hearings that have been held have been to hear arguments favoring three different proposals:

1—The connection of the proposed line with the Twin Peaks tunnel line at Laguna Honda station.

2—Connecting the proposed line

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Beer, Wine Sales With Tax to Pay Veterans Bonus, Urged on House

Maryland Solon Pleads Action on Bill; Favors Creation of Federal Local Option Areas

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—(By Universal Service.)—A tax on beer and light wine to raise money for the soldiers' bonus was urged before the House Ways and Means Committee today by Representative Hill, of Maryland, and Brennan of Michigan.

The manufacture and sale of 4 percent beer and 12 percent wine would be legalized under an amendment to the bonus measure proposed by Hill. The Hill amendment would provide for local option in each congressional district, where the voters would decide every two years if they wanted beer and wine manufactured or sold in their district.

A bill providing for federal local option on beer and wines and levying a tax on them was introduced recently by Hill, who is leader of the wet forces in the House.

The proposal submitted to the Ways and Means Committee today was to tax beer twenty cents a gallon and wine forty cents a gallon. It was estimated that this tax would bring in from \$500,000,000 to \$1,000,000,000 annually.

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BAN PLACED ON USE OF POISON GAS

Plenary Session Gives Formal Approval to Two Treaties After Seven Weeks' Debate

Shantung Agreement Announced by Which Japan Consents to Return Territory to Chinese

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—(By Associated Press.)—Unless present plans are changed, the Washington conference will give to the world eight treaties, to seven of which the United States will be a party. This is the list:

Four-power Pacific treaty, signed December 13.

Five-power naval limitation treaty, ready for signature.

Five-power submarine and poison gas treaty, ready for signature.

Six-power treaty allocating German Pacific cables, drafting.

Nine-power treaty on Chinese tariff, drafting.

Nine-power treaty on other Chinese questions, drafting.

American-Japanese treaty regarding Yap, virtually ready for signature.

Chinese-Japanese treaty regarding Shantung, near completion.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 1.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Washington negotiations for limitation of armament reached their consummation today when a plenary session of the arms conference gave definite and public approval of the two treaties limiting navies and restricting use of the new agencies of warfare.

One covenant, thus sealed after eleven weeks of debate, establishes a fixed ratio of capital ship strength between the five great powers, and the other pledges them against unrestricted submarine warfare and use of poison gas. Within a day or two the plenipotentiaries of the United States, Great Britain, Japan, France and Italy will formally affix their signatures.

At the same session the Far Eastern wing of the conference announced officially the terms of the Shantung settlement and gave final approval to nine of the resolutions adopted in committee in regard to Chinese problems.

The agreement on Shantung already has been put into a draft treaty between Japan and China, and the other Far Eastern settlements are to be embodied in at least two general conventions which will come before the conference shortly.

LEASES ABANDONED.

When Japan's intention to withdraw from Shantung had been definitely stated, the British announced formally for the first time that their government was ready to hand back to China the leasehold of Wei-Hai-Wei.

The French let it be known tonight, however, that they expected to treat directly with China over possible retirement from their leased territory at Kwangchow Wan, a decision which appeared to belated the prospect of any general conference agreement regarding Chinese leased territories.

Two other conference projects, one relating to the Chinese Eastern railway and the other to the pro-

NEWSPAPERMAN ON TRAIL OF THE DOLORES RUBIE'S

Jerry Wells holds most important clues thus far developed.



DUDLEY AYRES
of the Alcazar Stock Company

will impersonate the reporter in films to aid public in identifying criminal and finding rubies.

LARGE REWARDS offered by
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Tells his story of thrilling events
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Inside history, hitherto undisclosed
—a graphic recital of adventure.

IN THE EXAMINER

STARTS NEXT SUNDAY

Today

Golf for the Mind.
Two Racing Lights.
White Races Thought.
The Farmers Next?

By Arthur Brisbane

Brian says golf is for school-boys. He asked Lloyd George: "Can't you enjoy a country walk without hitting a silly little ball?" Frenchmen never get tired of thinking, Englishmen and Americans do. Hitting the silly little ball, then cursing it, makes the Anglo-Saxon stop thinking. That's what he wants.

Harvard scientists, measuring light that comes from distant stars, say blue and yellow light have about the same speed. Traveling 186,000 miles a second, on a journey that lasts forty thousand years, neither blue or yellow light can gain two minutes. That might distract your mind as well as golf.

Prof. Lugo Brentano writes learnedly on "why the white race has triumphed, what its future will be." He says "idealistic tolerance" made the white races what they are. Not all. The white races started in the north, that is why they are white! No tropical sun to color them.

Foggy cold northwestern Europe bred them. The snow kept them in oors in winter. They had to talk, associate with their own wives and children and THINK. That is what made them world conquerors, THINKING. Their darker brothers, farther south, never locked in with their own wives, plucking fruit and flowers in the open, all year round, never were FORCED to think, therefore never thought much.

Today some of the darker races, notably the brown Japanese, are doing as much thinking as the white races—considerably more of it than some white people are doing in Washington.

Look out for that.

"Ford Muscle Shoals plan up to Congress." Congress will decide for Ford and cheap fertilizer for the farmers, or for the fertilizer trust and dear fertilizer for farmers.

President Harding, who represents the farmers better than any President since Lincoln, is for the Ford plan because he knows Ford can and will give the cheapest possible product.

This is a chance for farmers to show power or lack of it. Hitherto the United States has been governed largely by a small group from the regions of high finance, competing occasionally with a larger but comparatively small group from the field of union labor. The next step will be for twenty million farmers to come in and inform finance and union labor both that THEY mean to have something to say.

Anastase Andreivitch Vonsiatzky-Vonsiatzky, intelligent young Russian chemist, 23 years old, is to marry a lady old enough to be his mother, whose father left forty millions.

This worries or amuses the world considerably. Why?

If Mr. Anastase had been Miss Anastasia, aged 23, and planning to marry a man 46, with an interest in forty millions, the thing would seem natural.

Why is it so amusing, or extraordinary, because the wife happens to be older? The young man works from 7 in the morning until 8 in the afternoon. Interested in science he will probably use well the money that comes to him. And his wife will keep him out of mischief. One of the world's serious problems might be solved—Plato knew it two thousand years ago—if very young men would become interested, for part of their lives at least in women twice as old as they are.

British money is going up, of course. Englishmen are business men. They know how to handle trade in the cannibal islands, they know how to handle statesmen in Washington.

They know how to take care of a public debt, and cut it down. The British treasury announces that the British public debt was cut more than a billion dollars in the last year. That's why English money goes up. They produce STATESMEN.

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FILM DIRECTOR SLAIN IN L. A. HOME; ARBUCKLE JURY LOCKED UP SECOND NIGHT

MYSTERY MAN SUSPECTED ON REVENGE HINT

William Desmond Taylor Found
Shot in Back; Suspect Seen
by Neighbors Near Bungalow

Police Convinced Woman Either
Killed Director or Furnished
Motive for Baffling Crime

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 2.—(By Universal Service.)—Shortly after a business conference with Mabel Normand at his bungalow, some at No. 4048 South Alvarado street last night, William Desmond Taylor, famous motion picture director, was shot in the back and killed by a mysterious assassin.

This is the theory police detectives are working on tonight. The theory is based on information furnished by Mrs. Douglas MacLean, wife of the film star, who lives next door to the Taylor home, and by her maid.

The MacLeans sat down to dinner at 7:30 o'clock last night, according to Mrs. MacLean. While the second course was being served the maid claims to have heard the footsteps of a man in the alley in the rear of the house, running between the two houses. She spoke of the occurrence to Mr. and Mrs. MacLean, but thought no more of it until today.

At 7:30 o'clock, however, six minutes after Miss Normand had left the Taylor home to go to her machine, Mrs. MacLean heard a shot, and peering hurriedly out of the door, saw a man leaving the Taylor home.

HAVE DESCRIPTION.

Was he the same man whose footsteps the maid had heard? The police believe so. They have the man's description from Mrs. MacLean and are checking every possible acquaintance and associate of the late director to find an answer to the baffling riddle.

He was not Edward Sands, a former valet for Taylor, who had been suspected of knowing something of the crime. Sands had been accused of stealing from his former employer, and a warrant for his arrest had been out for some time. But the man Mrs. MacLean saw was another man.

At first today the police were working on four theories.

1. That a woman whom Taylor had scorned or enraged had killed him.

2. That a suitor of some woman friendly with Taylor had killed him.

3. The Sands theory.

4. That Taylor had been killed by a burglar whom he had surprised at his work on his return from spying Miss Normand and her machine.

SEEK WOMAN.

Because of the variance in the descriptions of the man Mrs. MacLean saw and Sands, the police are inclined to drop any suspicion of this former valet, and they likewise place little credence in the robbery theory, as no material facts seem to support such a possibility.

But some woman, they believe, is at the apex of the triangle, the other two points of which are a man with a revolver and William Desmond Taylor, noted Lasky director (deceased).

He is known to have had a charming personality and considerable magnetism, and he included many

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IN TRAGIC SHADOW



Above is Mabel Normand, film star, last to be seen with William Desmond Taylor (below) before his mysterious slaying in Los Angeles yesterday.

25 ENTOMBED MINERS PERISH

GATES (Pa.), Feb. 2.—Twenty-five miners are known to have been killed in the explosion at the Gates mine of the H. C. Frick Coal and Coke Company here early today. It was reported by coal company officials tonight, and there is a possibility that the number of dead may reach twenty-six. Thirty men were working in the section where the explosion occurred, four of whom escaped.

Portuguese Cabinet Resignation Accepted

LISBON, Feb. 2.—(By the Associated Press.)—The resignation of the Portuguese cabinet headed by Premier Cunha Leal, presented Wednesday, has been accepted by President Almeida.

IRISH IN SPLIT ON BOUNDARIES

DUBLIN, Feb. 2.—(By the Associated Press.)—There is still a possibility that Sir James Craig, Ulster premier, and Michael Collins, head of the provisional government, will resume their conference at the close of which today a statement was issued showing that it had been impossible to reach an agreement on the boundary question. No definite arrangement, however, has been made as yet for further discussions. It is said Sir James Craig intends to consult Viscount Fitzalan, former viceroy, on the situation.

Apparently the boundary question was almost the only matter discussed today; there is nothing to indicate that the Londonderry prisoners will be released, and the provisional government has received no assurance that the execution of these men has been countermanded.

AILING JUROR HALTS CASE IN DEADLOCK

Jurors Send for Full Transcript of Testimony Given During the Trial of Arbuckle

By OSCAR H. FERNBACH.

Still no verdict in the Arbuckle case.

At half past nine o'clock last evening the jury was ordered locked up for the night. This early termination of their deliberations was caused by the illness of Juror Lee Dolson, who was taken with a slight cold. Dolson declared that his indisposition was not serious, but that he would feel better if permitted to retire early.

Judge Louderback gave instructions that the jury be returned to the Hall of Justice at nine o'clock this morning.

Up to the time of adjournment last evening the jurors, out since 3:45 on last Wednesday afternoon, had been sitting carefully discussing the evidence.

Shortly before noon yesterday they expressed the desire to have sent to them the entire transcript of the record of this trial, and the voluminous document, made ready and authenticated, was delivered to them when they returned from lunch at 2:30 in the afternoon.

BALLOTS SECRET.

All rumors as to how the jury stands are matters of pure conjecture. Nothing whatever transpired yesterday to warrant the assertion, freely handled about, that they were divided 8 to 4 in favor of an acquittal. The only thing that was apparent was that they had given themselves over to a minute discussion of all phases of the case, as evidenced by their requests on Wednesday for a reading of Josephine Kexa's testimony and for a repetition of Judge Louderback's charge, as well as by their request yesterday for the whole transcript.

The utter failure of anyone to get from the juryroom the slightest inkling of what was going on led a wag among the spectators to suggest that the attorneys subpoena the listening hotel chambermaid, who has figured so conspicuously in the trial, and ask her to exhibit her expert qualifications in the vicinity of the juryroom door.

When the jury was locked up last night, it had spent less than ten hours, in all, in actual deliberation. The remainder of the time since the case was submitted has been passed in sleeping, eating, journeying to and from the Hall of Justice and in open court while receiving further information.

ARBUCKLE WAITS.

Throughout the day yesterday Arbuckle and his attorneys, as well as a never ending stream of spectators, patiently awaited a possible verdict. The crowd sat in the courtroom like an audience at a séance, nervously straining to listen for the expected "trapping."

All sorts of opinions were freely expressed. A majority seemed to believe that the jury eventually would reach a verdict, basing this conclusion upon the apparent earnestness with which the case was being considered. Others pessimist-

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YOUTH KILLED BY SNOW NEAR LOS ANGELES

Harold Thompson, 18, Found
Buried All Save His Arms in
Snowdrift; 2 Friends Rescued

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 2.—Snow on Mount Wilson near here claimed the life of Harold Thompson, 18 years old, of this city, whose body was found today by forest rangers buried all save the arms in a snow drift. Two companions were rescued after severe suffering from the freeze. The three were caught in the snowstorm Sunday, and Thompson stumbled over an embankment and was unable to extricate himself from the deep drift into which he plunged.

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 2.—Maintenance department crews of the state highway commission, working with motor trucks, huge shovels and other equipment, have succeeded after several days of hard work in opening up for traffic the snow covered sections of the Ridge Road between Bakersfield and Los Angeles, according to telegraphic information received here today by members of the road body from Division Engineer J. R. Woodson of Los Angeles and other employees on the job.

WOODLAND, Feb. 2.—Sheep men here have suffered losses due to the continued cold weather. It is reported. With lambing season at its height, the number of deaths was more than normal. Feed is plentiful and heavier cattle have not suffered, it is said.

Italian Cabinet Resigns Office, Precipitating Crisis in Rome

Questions of Foreign Policies
and Opposition to Attitude
Toward Pope Upset Premier

ROME, Feb. 2.—(By the Associated Press.)—The cabinet of Premier Bonomi, which took office last July, presented its resignation to the Chamber of Deputies at 3:20 o'clock this afternoon.

Causes which combined to induce the majority in the chamber to withdraw its support from the Bonomi government were of both foreign and domestic origin. Many deputies had expressed disappointment over the failure of the Italian arms delegates to have Italy included in the four-power Pacific treaty and there was disappointment over Italy's being excluded from the Anglo-French treaty, which was drafted during the meeting of the supreme council at Cannes.

There were also expressions of dissatisfaction over the official recognition of the death of Pope Benedict XV through the visit of Minister of Agriculture Mauri to the Vatican through the half-mast of flags on public buildings. The position taken by the government recently during the financial difficulties of the Banca Italiana di Sconto also was severely criticized. The decision to resign was practically reached at a meeting of the cabinet last night, and this decision was confirmed by another session today. Signor Bonomi intended to go to the Quirinal late today to present the resignation of his cabinet to the King.

JAPS MAKE CONCESSION TO CHINESE

Ready to Cancel One Group of
'21 Demands' and Give Up
Certain Privileges in North

Arms Conference in Final Stage,
With Probability Work May
Come to an End Tomorrow

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—(By the Associated Press.)—Adjournment sine die of the armament limitation conference is planned Saturday, according to information given delegates tonight. It is hoped to have final committee action tomorrow on the Far Eastern treaties and conclude all questions before the conference at a plenary session Saturday.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—(By the Associated Press.)—Japan met China part way today on the latter's request for abandonment of the celebrated "twenty-one demands" program of 1915.

Taking the center of the stage as the final scene of the arms conference began, the Japanese announced that their government was ready to give up group five of the "demands," which China has held as calculated to rob her of her sovereignty, and to make further concessions regarding economic privileges and political and military preferences in Manchuria and Mongolia.

Tomorrow China is to reply in a statement that is expected to end the Far Eastern negotiations, and on Saturday the Washington conference probably will adjourn sine die after a plenary session, for formal adoption of the Far Eastern treaties.

Consideration of the "twenty-one demands," the last topic remaining on the Far East agenda, began in the Far Eastern committee after hope of an adjustment of the Chinese Eastern Railway situation had been abandoned and a resolution adopted merely declaring arrangements for "better protection" of the road should be worked out in the near future through diplomatic channels.

The powers other than China appended a joint declaration of China's responsibility for fulfillment of her obligations to foreign stockholders of the road.

Japan's statement on the "demands" was presented by Baron Shidehara, who argued that the Chinese request for abrogation of the treaties and agreements resulting from the 1915 program could not be supported by a plea of invalidity because the agreements made were entered into by China in the exercise of her full powers as a sovereign state. To question treaties because they were made under duress, he said, would be to challenge the validity of many of the most important existing international concords throughout the world. He excused the delivery of an ultimatum to China just before her partial acceptance of the "demands" as an expedient to bring the prolonged negotiations to an end.

Three concessions were announced by Baron Shidehara, one relating to group five and the others to the situation in Manchuria and Mongolia. Japan was ready, he said, to withdraw the reservation attached to the Chinese-Japanese treaty of 1915, under which she retained the right to press further in the future the unaccepted group five.

One of the other concessions will

FOUND!
Cabaret girl who may have
inspired theft of the famous
DOLORES RUBIES
Her name is Cutie Carew and she will
be impersonated by



ANNE BERRYMAN
of the Alcazar Stock Company
Movies of the crime mystery will appear soon at the
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IN THE EXAMINER

STARTS NEXT SUNDAY

SLAIN MAN HID PAST

Today

Look After Your Blood,
A Farm Moratorium.
A Moving Mountain.
Why Not "Our Business?"
By Arthur Brisbane

Eleven hundred and twenty-two new cases of influenza in one day, in one city. Health officers warn you against an epidemic of deadly pneumonia. Regular SLEEP, regular, moderate EATING, regular, moderate EXERCISE, are the best preventives. The only sure protection your body can have is blood in good condition. Other things may help, they can't prevent disease.

The Secretary of Agriculture says the farmers should have time extensions on mortgages. Why not do something worth while? The entire nation depends on farmers and is enriched by farmers. If mortgages are crowding the farmer why not declare a moratorium as to farm mortgage PRINCIPAL, let the farmer pay the interest, cut it down to a fair rate, deduct from the principal any sums out of which he may have been swindled in the way of unfair preliminary commissions, lawyers' fees, etc. And let the principal wait for ten years. "Class legislation" do you say? Well, it was class legislation when the farmer was compelled to sell for \$2.25 wheat for which he could have got \$5.

In France a great mountain is moving its masses of rock toward a small village, and government has compelled the peasants to move. The thing is now explained scientifically. Once they would have said that somebody with very high-grade faith was praying, and a miracle would have been proclaimed on the text: "If we have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain remove hence," etc.

Iceland, interesting country where they drink too much, if they drink at all, intends to go dry—that would stop all importation of Spanish wine. Spain will retaliate with prohibitory steps. Senator Jones, a Viking of prohibition, wants our Senate to rebuke Spain for interfering with Iceland's moral prohibition program.

And Senator King of Utah wants this government to interfere with Kemal Pasha, now using weapons, got from the French, to murder Armenians, Greeks and other Christians.

Good moral suggestions from King and Jones. But how would it be, just for a change, to mind our OWN business?

William Hohenzollern, once Kaiser, is studying the news carefully today. With a strike tying up all railroads, Germany is going through another test of her ability to live under republican government and the results of the Hohenzollern defeat. The Kaiser probably thinks they need him to shoot the striking railroad men. Many Germans probably think it also. That's the queer part of human nature.

The most mysterious thing in the world, with the exception of woman's character and man's deception, is MONEY.

When money is dirt cheap as in Germany and Austria, those countries are miserable and are pitted.

When you find money near par, as it is now in England, business men complain. They must pay their workmen dearly in good expensive money of their own country and sell what they make in other countries, for cheap money. If you pay labor with dear money and sell goods for cheap money,

NEW ACTRESS SOUGHT IN REVENGE CLEW

THIRD TRIAL FOR ARBUCKLE, SAYS BRADY

Jury Trying Comedian Is Discharged After Deadlock of 45 Hours; 10 to 2 to Convict

"Opinion of Majority of Jurors Guides Me in Bringing Third Trial," Says Prosecutor

By OSCAR H. FERNBACH.
Standing 10 to 2 for conviction, and deadlocked at this ratio beyond any possibility of agreement, the jury trying Roscoe (Patty) Arbuckle for manslaughter of Virginia Rappe was discharged shortly before noon yesterday morning.

Their deliberations, begun at 3:45 o'clock last Wednesday afternoon, included the taking of fourteen ballots. Ten of these ballots stood nine for conviction and three for acquittal. The remaining four were ten for conviction and two for acquittal.

Here is how the jury finally voted: FOR CONVICTION—Nat W. Friedman, tanner; Mrs. Mary H. Somers, housewife; Elbert J. Mitchell, insurance broker; John H. King, retired; Matthew B. McGowan, contractor; John M. Peters, contractor; Frank H. Coy, store manager; Harry J. Noonan, mining man; John J. McElroy, retired drayman; Lewis P. Meany, trunk manufacturer.

FOR ACQUITTAL—Lee S. Dolson, garage man; Clem R. Brownberger, department store floor man.

LAST TO CHANGE.
Juror Mitchell, who did not vote for conviction until the eleventh ballot, declares that he voted with Dolson and Brownberger only while uncertain on three or four points in the testimony. It was he who sent for the Keza testimony, and who also requested the re-reading of the judge's charge, before finally being satisfied of Arbuckle's guilt.

Arbuckle will be tried again, and for the third time. This was made plain by District Attorney Brady, who yesterday issued the following statement:

The prosecution has conducted this case as it would have conducted any other case. The attitude of the district attorney has been strictly that of an impartial prosecutor, in no sense that of a persecutor.

The jury obviously gave careful consideration to the evidence and endeavored to arrive at a verdict upon the evidence solely.

In spite of my own personal convictions, it was my intention to be guided by the opinion of the majority of the jury. Had the majority of the jury favored an acquittal I would have asked for a dismissal. As the jury stood ten for conviction and only two for acquittal it is manifestly my duty to try the case again.

McNAB HOPEFUL.
To this announcement of the district attorney Gavin McNab, chief counsel for Arbuckle, made the following reply:

The jury, in the first trial, on practically all ballots, stood eleven for acquittal and one alternate for conviction.

In this trial, on practically all ballots, the jury stood nine for conviction and three for acquittal, with the two alternates for acquittal.

Practically the same evidence was presented to each jury. The case will be tried again by a third jury.

Votes for Pope Reach 4 Ballots Without Choice; Smoke Watched

Conclave of Cardinals in Sacred College Indecisive; Crowds Throng to Glimpse Signal

ROME, Feb. 3.—(By the Associated Press.)—Within the walls of the Vatican balloting is proceeding for the election of a successor to Pope Benedict XV. Today's balloting failed of result. The cardinals were engaged for several hours during the morning in an endeavor to select an occupant for the papal throne, but shortly after noon a thick volume of sulphur-hued smoke indicated that no decision had been reached.

The deliberations in the afternoon apparently were somewhat shorter, as the great clock of St. Peter's registered 5:25 when the chimney emitted a feeble cloud of black smoke, telling mutely to the vast assemblage in St. Peter's Square that the momentous question was still undecided. Four ballots were taken.

The illness of three of the cardinals within the Vatican makes it necessary for the ballot takers to leave the Sistine chapel, with due ceremony, and repair to the apartments of the invalids. Cardinal Marini has been ill for several days from influenza and there is some apprehension over his condition because of his age. Two other cardinals, Pompili and Bacilelli, are suffering from colds.

One of the reasons the smoke announcements are so late is that the ballots of the three invalids must be taken in their rooms.

Several hours before the convening of the conclave in the afternoon, thousands gathered in the historic square in front of the Vatican, many of them coming from distant points. By four o'clock full 10,000 persons had taken up positions of vantage on the steps of St. Peter's or along the cobbled pavement or on balconies and roofs of neighboring houses.

All eyes eagerly centered on the slender metal chimney of the Vatican, which is so old that it inclines sharply to one side, making identification easier among the other blue pipes.

In the vast concourse were many Americans, some of whom had journeyed from remote points in Italy to witness the memorable ceremony. A number of them were equipped with binoculars and telescopes, which they turned on the all-important smokestack.

A Russian refugee, former member of Wrangle's army, set up a huge long distance artillery range finder and charged spectators a small sum for an inspection of the chimney. Photographers are everywhere. But most conspicuous of all were German theological students in robes of flaming red.

Hundreds of devout Italians, intent upon being the first to receive the benediction of the new pope, brought baskets of food and jugs of wine, some of them even blankets, prepared if necessary for a long vigil. One member of the church, over 80 years of age, who prided himself on having received the blessing of the last three Popes, came all the way from Naples, equipped with cot, blankets and food, and spent the night under the colonnaded wings of St. Peter's.

Upon the steps of St. Peter's were numerous American and foreign artists with their easels.

Allied Debt Bill Sent to President
WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—Senate amendments to the allied debt re-funding bill were accepted today by the House. The measure now goes to the President, who is expected to appoint soon the commission which is to open negotiations with the debtor nations.

When you think of writing, think of WHITING.—A.D.V.

SCREEN BEAUTIES NAMED IN TAYLOR CASE



Who's Who in Taylor Murder

Here is the list of motion picture luminaries and others and the part they play in the Taylor slaying mystery:

William Desmond Taylor, chief director for Famous Players-Lasky Film Company, slain by assassin Wednesday evening in his Hollywood home.

Mabel Normand, film star, the last person who saw Taylor alive, and upon whose statements the police have fixed the time of Taylor's death.

Howard Fellows, chauffeur for the slain director, who tried to enter the Taylor home at 8:15 p. m., shortly following the tragedy.

Edward F. Sands, whose true name is said to be Edward Fitz-Strathmore, discharged valet-secretary of Taylor's, who fled several months ago, after his employer had accused him of theft.

Henry Peavy, Taylor's negro servant, who found his employer's body.

William Davis, Mabel Normand's chauffeur, who drove her from Taylor's home prior to the slaying.

Mary Miles Minter, film luminary, who became hysterical after viewing Taylor's body. She was directed in several features by Taylor.

Edna Purviance, Charlie Chaplin's leading woman, who from her home near Taylor's home saw lights in his window the evening of the crime.

Mrs. Douglas MacLean, wife of moving picture star, who saw man hiding near film director's home, and also heard report of shot, which police believe was the one that ended Taylor's life.

Charles Eyton, general manager of the West Coast studio of the Famous Players-Lasky Film Co.

Neva Gerber, film star, who at one time was engaged to wed the slain man, but broke off the match.

Claire Windsor, film star, who said she heard Taylor declare "he would kill his former valet, Sands, if he ever laid his hands on him."

Above (at left)—Mabel Normand, who yesterday denied existence of love affair with slair William D. Taylor. Right—Claire Windsor, who told of her acquaintance with Taylor. Center—Mary Miles Minter, whom Taylor directed in a number of picture successes. Below (at right)—Edna Purviance, who lives in same bungalow court that Taylor did and was one of first to learn of his death.

ACTRESS TELLS DEATH THREAT

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 3.—Claire Windsor, beautiful motion picture star, tonight added a sensation to the mystery of the slaying of Wm. D. Taylor, the popular motion picture director.

She asserts that she heard the dead motion picture director declare that "he would kill Sands, the valet, if he ever laid his hands on him."

"Mr. Taylor, Tony Moreno and Betty Francisco were at the Ambassador at a party on Thursday night one week ago when Maurice, the famous dancer, first gave his exhibition," said the film actress.

"Mr. Taylor was with me and, of course, we talked about the robbery. He said: 'If I ever lay my hands on Sands, I will kill him.' Mr. Taylor seemed very determined because Sands had robbed him of every cent he had at the time."

Speaking of her friendship with Taylor, whom she referred to in terms of the greatest respect, Miss Windsor said that she had known him a long time, but never very well. "I always found him a perfect gentleman, always considerate of others and most polished," she said.

AMAZING DUAL LIFE OF TAYLOR BARED IN N. Y.

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—(By Universal Service.)—Amazing details in the life of mystery of William D. Taylor, the motion picture director, who was slain in Los Angeles last Wednesday, were disclosed tonight.

Although he had become nationally famous as a film director and was popular among his associates among the film folk in Hollywood, it was often remarked that he had few intimates and that there was some shadow over his past that he never discussed.

It is learned that Taylor was well known in New York prior to about 1908 as William Deane Tanner, a cultured art connoisseur. At that time he was manager of a prominent Fifth avenue firm of art and antique furniture dealers. His profession brought him into contact with wealthy art and bric-a-brac enthusiasts and he had a wide circle of friends.

In 1901 he had secretly married Miss Ethel May Harrison, a member of the original Floradora Company, and they had one child. She is now attending a fashionable school on the Hudson.

One day in 1908 Tanner's friends and business associates were startled by his sudden and mysterious disappearance. His wife could give no clue to his probable whereabouts and could not ascribe any reason for his action.

At the Fifth avenue firm with which he was associated, an examination of his books and business affairs showed everything to be in perfect order. An extensive search by the police and private detectives failed to yield any trace of where or why he had gone and his family and friends finally set it down as an unsolved mystery.

EX-VALET IS LINKED WITH DEATH THREAT

Detectives Convinced Man Seen Leaving William D. Taylor's Bungalow Was His Murderer

Mysterious Film Actress Not Mentioned So Far in Case Is New Center of Investigation

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 3.—A motion picture actress whose name has not been publicly mentioned so far in connection with the slaying Wednesday night of William Desmond Taylor, film director, was the center late tonight of the investigation into the mystery. In the same connection, it was stated, the name of another director was also brought into the limelight.

The officers stated that under this new theory the crime was inspired by a "revenge motive, with jealousy as the probable direct cause."

This new development, however, did not halt the search for Edward F. Sands, whose true name is declared to be Edward Fitz-Strathmore, Taylor's former butler and valet, who according to some persons, was in Los Angeles last Wednesday.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 3.—Amazing complications tonight entered the William Desmond Taylor murder mystery when it was learned by "The Examiner" that his true name was William D. Tanner and that he assumed the name of Taylor when he came West in 1908.

One man, the man for whom the police are now looking, knew this secret in the past of the mystery man, who was scarcely less communicative in life than he now is in death.

This was the man known as Edward F. Sands, Tanner's discharged secretary-valet, who twice robbed his master, forged his name and returning to Los Angeles Tuesday, uttered this threat:

"I am here to get Bill Taylor." His intimate knowledge of the hidden chapter in the famous director's career was revealed in startling fashion late yesterday afternoon, when in Fresno it was learned that Sands has there pawned jewelry stolen from Taylor and that he had given the name "William Dean Tanner."

JEWELRY GIVES CLEW.
The jewelry, upon which a loan had been made and a ticket issued, consisted of a pair of cuff links set with diamonds and onyx shirt studs, also set with diamonds.

The man who secured the loan answered the description of Sands.

In a bold hand he wrote on the ticket retained by the broker the name of his one-time employer, William Dean Tanner.

"The man who killed William D. Taylor is the one who was seen leaving his apartment shortly before 8 o'clock Thursday night. This is our absolute conclusion."

"We also have a definite idea as to who the man is and his motive. But to reveal it here would be to prevent clear and straight away police work upon our hypothesis."

This was the statement tonight of Captain of Detectives David L. Adams, after receiving reports from his staff of detectives who today were combing through a multitude of rumors for something substantial.

At the very outset of the day's work, probably never before equaled in pure concentration of energy, the police sought an answer to the question, "Why?" But neither the history of the murdered man, nor physical circumstances having to do with the case, returned a definite answer.

This one fact, however, could

JEALOUS ACTOR SUSPECTED; NORMAND LETTERS SOUGHT

Today

Foolish Father—Ditto Son.
Homes Are Factories.
Comics in the Death House.
The Corset and Husband.
By Arthur Brisbane

The president of Princeton University tells father of student: "Don't give your boy a private automobile to use at the university." Wise words.

A father who gives his boy too much money, too much luxury, making the boy think himself better than poorer boys is a poor father.

He cuts down his son's chances by putting conceit where there ought to be ambition.

A manufacturer may deduct from income tax cost of repairs in keeping up his factory.

But a farmer may NOT deduct from his income tax what he spends to keep up the house in which he lives.

What is the farmer's house except a factory in which his wife and daughters, working harder than any factory hands, manufacture doughnuts, pies and other fuel to be stuffed into farm hands, to keep the farm going?

Every house not inhabited by a bachelor is a factory in which human beings, needed by the nation, are produced. And all owners of houses, costing not over \$5,000, might be allowed to deduct repairs on the "home factory."

Harry Givner, 25; Fred Slover, aged 26, were killed by electricity by the glorious State of New York on February 2. That's so common you notice it no more than you would the killing of a few savages by the chief executioner, if you were visiting a cannibal king.

The new thing in the judicial killing of the two young murderers was a delightful entertainment provided the night before they died.

They and twenty-one others condemned in the "death house" were allowed to enjoy a comic moving picture. And to add an extra comic touch, the warden of the prison censored the comic film before the murderers were allowed to see it—as though censoring could make any difference in a film to be shown to condemned murderers.

Our old friend Teufelsdröck might have told you that none of us is so different from the twenty-three men that watched the comic film in the death house. We are all in a kind of death house, waiting here until Time, the great executioner, lets us out.

And life with its struggles, hopes, and trifles, is the "comic film" with which the warden of this prison entertains and distracts us, to keep our mind off the inevitable end.

Paris, discussing the corset, with appropriate solemnity, decides that COMFORT is what counts. One lady dressmaker says: "A corset, like a good husband, should give protection, without interference." That depends on what you call a "good husband."

Ninety-five per cent of the corset is a curse. Pressure has ruined the health of many women and deprived unborn children of their chance in life.

But the corset is also 5 per cent a blessing, "some good in all evil." For slight pressure at the waist compels women to breathe in the

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DELEGATES TO ARMS MEET FINISH WORK

Nine Treaties, Fruit of Three Months of Labor, Adopted; Monday Set for Signature

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—(By International News Service.)—The treaty between Japan and China, providing for the return to China of the former German leased territory in Shantung, was signed by the Chinese and Japanese delegates late today, thereby bringing to an end one of the most difficult problems of the Far East.

Under the terms of the pact the former German territory of Kio Chao, held by Japan since the beginning of the World War, will be returned to China immediately.

The Shantung Railway, about which there has been the greatest controversy, is to be returned to China, but Japan is to retain a degree of supervision until China has paid an indemnity of approximately \$3,000,000 gold marks.

By GEORGE R. HOLMES
International News Service Staff Correspondent
CONTINENTAL HALL, Washington, Feb. 4.—After the longest session yet held and which saw the completion of three months' work, the Washington conference adjourned at 2:35 o'clock this afternoon until Monday.

On Monday the treaties will be signed and President Harding will address the conference at a final session.

Secretary Hughes brought today's hectic session to a close with a speech in which he expressed his "profound thanks and appreciation" for the co-operation of his colleagues in bringing to a "successful conclusion" the most important task ever undertaken in behalf of world peace and concord among nations.

When the final speaking began, the conference had in two hours accomplished the following:

- 1—Approved a nine-powered treaty pledging the powers to strict observance of the open door and to respect the territorial, political and administrative integrity of China.
- 2—Approved a nine-powered Chinese tariff treaty, designed to grant China tariff increases so that she may get back on her feet financially.
- 3—Approved a four-powered supplement treaty to the Pacific treaty, which definitely takes Japan proper out of the provisions of that pact.
- 4—Accepted Japan's renunciation of part of the 21 demands and her promise not to press the other part to the detriment of other powers' commercial interests.
- 5—Adopted a declaration aimed at better preservation of the Chinese Eastern Railway and a continuance of international control.
- 6—Accepted Japan's declaration of peaceful intent toward Siberia and her promise to withdraw Japanese troops as soon as a stable government is set up in Russia.
- 7—Approved the creation of an international board of reference in China, to which disputed points between nations of this conference can be referred for action.
- 8—Adopted a resolution providing for the creation of a commission to study new agencies of warfare with a view to codifying rules governing them.
- 9—Accepted a resolution by which the naval powers agreed not to sell capital ships ordered scrapped under the Hughes plan.

Three months to the day from the time the great powers of the world

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Fourth Ballot By Consistory Fails To Name Pontiff; Voting Continues

Puffs of Smoke Issuing From Vatican Chimneys Announce Secret Conclave Deadlock

ROME, Feb. 4.—(Special Cable Dispatch to Universal Service.)—The deadlock in the vote for a new pope remained unbroken tonight. When the fourth ballot was taken by the conclave of cardinals in the sealed Vatican this afternoon with a fruitless result, high Catholic officials believed it virtually certain that a compromise candidate would be selected.

Unless the assembled cardinals have agreed otherwise, the fifth ballot will be taken tomorrow morning. It is customary to continue the voting over the Sabbath when the conclave is unable to decide upon a pope before that time.

Watchers on housetops and roofs of buildings near the Vatican and the tense crowds in the great square of St. Peter's twice today saw columns of black smoke roll upward from the chimney of the Sistine Chapel, where the papal election is being conducted.

Black smoke is the emblem of no election. Had the smoke, on the other hand, been white, the patient watchers would have known that a new sovereign pontiff of the Roman Catholic church had been chosen.

AMERICANS HOPE

Hope revived among the American Catholics in Rome that Cardinal O'Connell of Boston would arrive in time to cast his ballot for the new pope when the day passed without a selection.

The liner President Wilson, which is bearing the American cardinal to Rome, is reported by radio to be meeting with heavy weather in the Mediterranean. A wireless report received from her captain this afternoon stated that he hoped to reach Naples Monday morning.

As the crowds of watchful waiters dispersed with nightfall this evening, leaving only a few foreign pilgrims and sightseers in the piazza of St. Peter's, there was no way in which the populace could satisfy its curiosity as to what had transpired within the Vatican walls. The outside world does not even know what names have been voted on for pope. Gossip among the Catholic college mentions nearly half of the cardinals as "papal possibilities."

Cardinal Maffi, Cardinal Luadi, Cardinal Laurenti, and Cardinal Fontaine have persistently held the lead as favorites.

It is a traditional fact that no information comes from the sealed Sistine Chapel excepting via the smoke column, which has indicated that four ballots have been taken since the conclave opened its sessions.

Press speculation is taken at its face value. Today the smoke signals were observed shortly before noon and at five o'clock this afternoon. Greater care had evidently been taken in wetting down the straw as the smoke column was of an unmistakable black. When the smoke arose yesterday appearing to be white, great confusion resulted among the observers who were led to the false belief that a pope had been chosen.

1,100 Soldiers From Rhine Sail for Home

ANTWERP, Feb. 4.—The U. S. army transport Canby, with 1,100 officers and men of the American forces in Germany from Coblenz, on board, sailed from this port last evening for America.

Any reader who suffers from asthma can be quickly cured without risking a penny through the remarkable discovery of C. Leavengood, 1937 S. W. Blvd., Rosedale, Kansas. Don't send a penny—just write Mr. Leavengood and he will send you a big bottle of his prescription on 10 days' trial. If it cures send \$1.25. Otherwise you owe nothing.—Adv.

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TAYLOR ONCE GAY BLADE OF GOTHAM LIFE

Amazing Story of Wild Young Irishman's Career Revealed; Rose to Fortune and Esteem

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—(By Universal Service.)—The astonishing shadowed life of William Desmond Taylor, noted motion picture director, who was found murdered in his Hollywood bungalow Wednesday night makes a story more weird, more thrilling than fiction. The curious career of the unusual



Most recent portrait of William Desmond Taylor, noted Los Angeles motion picture director, found slain, and Miss Mabel Normand, famous cinema comedienne, who was last person to see him alive, and who was the only movie star witness at inquest.

Irishman is revealed in the following remarkable story, which identifies him as William Cunningham Deane-Tanner, well known New York business and club man and bon vivant.

Late in the nineties a tall, handsome young Irishman, a Dublin University man, traveled, witty, intelligent, arrived in New York. His name was William Cunningham Deane-Tanner, but to his numerous friends he soon became plain "Pete" Tanner. By degrees these friends learned that "Pete" was a member of a prominent and wealthy Dublin family and that from boyhood he had been unconventional in his habits with thirst for adventure and travel.

Although well under 30, he had been an actor, scene painter, cowboy and world traveler. He had come to America, though, to "settle down." He bought an interest in and became general manager of what was known as the "Little Shop," though the

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IN FILMDOM MYSTERY

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Notes Screen Star Sought on Theory Suitors Had Clash; Both Admired Same Actress

Mystery Phone Call, Answered by Taylor in Rage, Recalled; Had Barred Suspect Off 'Lot'

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 4.—One of the leading motion picture actors of the Hollywood colony is definitely under suspicion.

And the motive—jealousy over a woman who is as well known in the realms of the silent drama as he.

These were the latest developments today in the widespread police effort to unravel the tangle of the scarlet skein which binds up the murder mystery of William Desmond Taylor, noted film director.

There are said to be many striking facts upon which to base the theory of this man's possible participation. They are:

- 1—His physical characteristics. He, like the man who was seen to come from the Taylor apartment at 404B South Alvarado street on Wednesday night by Mrs. Douglas MacLean immediately following a revolver shot, is about 5 feet 10 inches in height.
- 2—That man, now believed beyond question to be the murderer, wore a silk scarf around his neck and a plaid cap. The actor whose name has been injected into the case is known to have worn a scarf and frequently he dons a cap.
- 3—The actress who is believed to have been the innocent cause of the assassination is known to have received attentions from both Taylor and the other man.
- 4—A few days before his violent end Taylor received a telephone message. He answered the caller gruffly in two or three monosyllables and hung up. Within five minutes the same man called again. This time Taylor, in a rage, refused to talk with him.
- 5—Taylor gave orders that this man was not to come on the "lot," the colloquial name for the grounds of the studio.

Long and patiently these facts have been assembled; the police admit that they may mean nothing or everything.

In any event, as a working hypothesis, the officers are proceeding in a straight line from the crime to the threshold of the woman, there to find, if the theory is correct, that the motive was something deeper even than jealousy.

What that something may have been remains to be revealed. It is enough for the moment to say that, assuming the suspicion to be correct, the man forced a secret from the actress upon learning it, went forth with murder in his heart. SANDS' MOTIVE LACKING.

Many of the ablest among the several police detectives engaged on the case do not link Edward F. Sands, discharged secretary, valet, with the crime.

In his case, they argue, the element of motive is lacking.

There are several holdings to the opposite view and they cite these facts in support of their conviction:

Sands came to Los Angeles shortly before the murder. The day before the crime he made a threat against Taylor. He was seen in the vicinity of Taylor's apartment-bungalow not long before the tragic finale.

But, the doubting police officers ask, why should such a man, who had twice robbed his employer and forged his name, have ignored

Michael Collins
Ireland's provisional head, is
telling readers of "The Ex-
aminer" the inside story of the
struggle. Another install-
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Next Sunday's Examiner

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ACTRESS' RICH EX-FIANCE, RIVAL OF TAYLOR, SOUGHT

Today

Never Too Many People.
Age Balances Youth.
Theoretical Equality.
What Rockefeller Needs.
By Arthur Brisbane

Dr. E. A. Ross says this country will have 233,000,000 people in the year 2,000, only 78 years from now. The ignorant, worried, think we shall then be like China, overcrowded and starving. Machinery and science will take care of that. There are now about 1,600,000,000 people on earth. Under intensive cultivation, the state of Texas, alone, could feed them all.

When we have 233,000,000 people our great demand will still be MORE PEOPLE of the right kind.

In an old English school book by Thomas Dilworth, you read: "Young folks think old folks to be fools, but old folks know young folks to be fools." Both statements false. Youth and age represent balance, as do gravitation and radio-activity. Youth pushes ahead, age holds back. Wisdom and folly are in the conservatism of the old, folly and wisdom in youth's impetuosity. Neither knows it, which is part of the wise plan.

All men are created equal is the theory. Every day proves we do not believe it. American relief, helping the starving in Austria, announces that \$200,000 have been set aside "to feed the intellectuals."

They are supposed to be mentally superior to others, professors, and students selected, because their lives are more important than the lives of inferior creatures. The university kitchen will feed 700 more professors, and 3,000 more students.

Theory is all very well, but it takes generations to develop a brain with convulsions deep enough to be worth while, and when you get one, to feed it is wise—it's worth 100 others.

A New York city official attacks the Rockefeller group, alleging that it seeks to lower the standard of education. Rockefeller, says the learned commissioner in question, wants schools to turn out men and women of low education, willing to work as poorly paid wage slaves.

If that be true, Rockefeller has suddenly lost his mind. A big corporation needs employees of exceptional ability, and cares little what it pays to get such men. The so-called "wage slaves" are always plentiful, except occasionally in war time, you can get them by the million and at your own price. But the plan that puts out the sign "No men wanted," always wants men of unusual ability, at high pay, and cannot get enough of them.

The Standard Oil Company, for instance, hires at good pay more able chemists today than the whole world could have supplied 100 years ago. And John D. Rockefeller in his institute for scientific research—no profit there—will welcome any man of unusual power, pay him what he wants and let him spend any amount, in scientific work. If the Rockefellerers are trying to discourage higher education, they do not understand their own interest—and that sounds improbable.

Ebert, president of the German republic, is a saddle-maker for trade. The union has just put him

POPE ELECTION WAITING UPON U.S. CARDINALS

Two More Ballots Taken, but
Fail of Choice; Churchmen
From America Nearing Rome

Voting So Far Believed to
Have Resulted in Elimination
of Two Candidates for Office

ROME, Feb. 5.—(By the Associated Press.)—Sunday passed without the election of a new Pope. Balloting by the conclave of cardinals continued today, but so far as could be learned, without coming any nearer to the selection of a successor to Benedict XV than previously. It is now considered a certainty that Cardinal O'Connell will arrive in time to take part in the balloting tomorrow. Indeed, the cardinals are reported to have discussed at length the advisability of prolonging the sessions so that at least one representative of the church in America could be present.

The thick veil of secrecy which surrounded the deliberations within the vatican since the conclave convened Thursday was lifted slightly today when it was learned from a most authoritative source that Cardinals Gasparri and Merry del Val were leading candidates Friday, with a few scattered votes for five other cardinals.

TWO CARDINALS ELIMINATED.
On Saturday morning the conclave was still deadlocked and the cardinals realized that the election of either of these candidates was impossible, and, in consequence, both were virtually eliminated in the afternoon. The cardinals were busy last night, looking for a compromise candidate, with Camillo Laurenti, secretary of the congregation of the propaganda, and Giovanni Tacchi, papal major domo, prominently to the fore. Cardinal Tacchi was reported to be leading in the balloting.

The crowds awaiting the apostolic benediction, which was not forthcoming, numbered probably 100,000. The long wait for the smoke signal, with the accompanying disappointment, led to the conclusion that the sacred college had decided to retard its final choice until an American cardinal occupied a place among the thrones in the Sistine chapel.

U. S. CARDINAL ON WAY.
Cardinal O'Connell of Boston, aboard the steamer President Wilson, on his way to Rome for the conclave, expects to arrive at Naples early Monday and hopes to reach Rome before noon, says a wireless from him today to the American college.

A wireless also has been received from Cardinal Dougherty of Philadelphia, aboard the La Lorraine, saying he hopes to arrive on Wednesday.

The Government may place a special train at Cardinal O'Connell's disposal to rush him to Rome. The Camerlengo has communicated to the marshal that the health of the cardinal is excellent, but nothing official has been vouchsafed regarding the nature or progress of the proceedings.

Denicola Urged as Premier of Italy

ROME, Feb. 5.—(Special Cable Dispatch to Universal Service.)—The King today received Senator Tittoni, who again advised that President of the Chamber Denicola be selected as premier. Former Premier Giolitti subsequently confirmed the impression that this was an indication of likelihood of Denicola being asked to form a cabinet. The King later received Denicola, who is apparently reluctant to accept the responsibility. A solution of the problem is expected to be reached tomorrow.

Skirts to Lengthen And Be Bulkier, Is Last Fashion Word Direct From Paris

Serges Disappear; Jersey Wool-
ens Favorite; Colors Return;
Lace, 3-Piece Suits Popular

PARIS, Feb. 5.—(By Universal Service, special cable dispatch.)—The answer to the question as to what summer will bring in women's styles came definitely tonight when Jean Patou, amazing young dress-making genius, now the acknowledged fashion innovator of Paris, opened the doors of his shop to a privileged few for the first showing of spring and summer models.

Hundreds of thousands of women all over America will be interested to know:

1—That most of the models are straight and youthful. All are without belts and are a striking contrast to the winter styles of which belts were the most essential feature.

2—That skirts are slightly longer and considerably fuller. This idea follows the principle that "when woman is reposing the skirt should be almost straight, merely dividing that it is formed of more material than formerly. But when woman moves the skirt swings outward, revealing extreme largeness in its diameter."

3—That there has been a considerable change in materials. Serges have almost completely disappeared, being replaced by jersey woolsens. Robes are made of new crepes, georgette, crepe de chine and several innovations in "printed radium," printed muslin and printed chine and printed georgette, which are likely to come into vogue this season for the first time since the beginning of the century.

Above the waist line most evening gowns are of crepe or georgette embroidered with pearls. The new creations, however, lack the richness of appearance of the winter styles.

Evening cloaks are of brightly colored brocades.

4—Colors have returned. This is probably the most important announcement in the world of women since the war. Black has been dethroned, although it will, of course, be permitted.

In the order of their preference, the colors for spring will be white, gray, tortoise shell, yellow and mauve, while Patou stakes his reputation on the reintroduction of clear red and dark blue, two colors which have been abandoned since 1914. For woolsens the dominant note in colors will be gray.

5—Embroideries have been virtually abandoned in the new modes, whereas in the winter gowns little else was used for decorative purposes.

6—Lace has also come back into fashion. Favored are rare designs in Chantilly, Calais and Lyons laces. Jersey lace will also prove popular.

7—The dominating note of the whole fashion collection is the return of the three-piece costume with waistcoat and blouse. These will be worn in an easy, comfortable fashion, which will permit the removal of the jacket for dancing.

Carranza's Chieftain Fights Army Trial

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 5.—General Norberto Colvera, military commander under Carranza, who was arrested Friday, is being held in jail pending his appeal for trial by civil court rather than by martial law. He asserts he retired from the army months ago, and that the charges of conspiracy against him should be dealt with by the civil authorities.

CONGRESS TO GET DATA ON MEXICO PLOT

Methods Oil Interests Used to
Overthrow Obregon Will Be
Submitted as Result of Expose

Spread of False Information
and Misuse of Official's Name
Shown in Documents at Hand

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—(By Universal Service.)—Congress will be officially informed this week of the several methods employed by American oil interests to overthrow the government of President Alvaro Obregon of Mexico. This official information will be based largely on revelations of Universal Service. The four principal lines followed by the interests in this procedure are revealed as:

1—Unauthorized use of names of high officials at Washington by representatives of the oil and banking interests in connection with glowing promises of governmental support and recognition for successful revolutionaries.

2—A widespread propaganda against President Alvaro Obregon of Mexico to prejudice the American public mind.

3—Deliberate misinformation to American officials to block recognition of the Obregon government. Cultivation of friendships of prominent men in Washington by representatives of the interests as a strategic basis for disseminating misinformation in official circles.

4—Stimulation of specific revolutionary movements by representatives of American oil interests.

FACTS AVAILABLE.
Universal Service has placed a vast array of evidence in documentary form in support of the above outlined system of intrigue at the disposal of congressional investigators. It was an opinion expressed today that this week will determine the form in which such an investigation may be guided.

Representative Tom Connally, who introduced a resolution in the House requesting a congressional investigation of the scandal, is understood to be ready to present the facts. The resolution was referred to the State Department by Chairman Campbell of the House rules committee.

General reports from various sources here seem to indicate that the oil interests are determined that no such investigation shall be made. It is further reported that representatives of oil are beginning to arrive on the ground to obstruct in any way possible the furtherance of the effect of the Connally resolution.

What attitude the State Department has assumed toward the use of oil representatives of the names of administration officials in communicating with revolutionary leaders last summer is not defined officially. It is accepted, however, as a probable thing that the State Department does not desire an investigation by Congress at this time.

One representative of paramount oil interests is said to have left Washington with the remark that an investigation will not occur. Assurances to that effect are said to have been passed down the oil line by that man. Nevertheless, the wavelets of oil are beginning to ripple plaintively along the curbing of Pennsylvania avenue as the oil-appointed emissaries forgo their

PROBE USE OF NAMES.
Representative Connally, it is understood, is not alone by any means in his desire to know why the oil interests were so snugly bled in promoting to Esteban Cantu and Manuel Pelaez, among others, the support of the American government in revolutionary projects. How these men dared trade on the names of President Harding, Secretary of State

CURTAIN TO DROP ON ARMS SHOW TODAY

Indications That Packed House
Will Witness the Last Act;
Five Treaties to Be Signed

Ceremony to Be Long and as the
Last Feature President Harding
Will Give Benediction

BY WINDER R. HARRIS,
Staff Correspondent of the Universal Service

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5.—The grand finale of the Washington conference on limitation of armaments and Pacific and Far Eastern questions will be staged in Continental Memorial Hall tomorrow.

The delegates will attach their signatures to five treaties, listen to a speech of benediction by President Harding and then go home to await the reaction that will show whether the people are as pleased as they are with their ministrations unto an upset world.

Tomorrow's show is expected to give the thousands of more fortunate who come into possession of tickets the best in colorful entertainment proud diplomacy can afford.

Owing to the length of the ceremony, the time for raising the curtain has been advanced to 10 o'clock, the earliest any plenary session has been convened since the conference began on November 12.

PLANS FOR CEREMONY.
The scene tomorrow is expected to outshine even that of the opening day. President Harding will occupy a seat in the hall during the ceremony of signing the pacts, while Mrs. Harding will look down upon the diplomats and distinguished dignitaries from a box.

Flanking on all sides of the delegates arrayed about the square green-covered table will be the members of the cabinet, justices of the Supreme Court, attaches of the delegations and the full diplomatic corps resident in Washington, members of the Senate and House and 200 newspaper correspondents from all lands and all climes.

Scattered among the spectators, and exceeding the men folk in numbers, if the records of earlier plenary sessions are lived up to, the wives of the delegates, diplomats, cabinet officers, justifiers of the supreme court and members of Congress and society leaders of Washington who know a diplomat well enough to get a ticket will lend to the stately scene color from the best millinery and modiste shops of the world can supply.

Recently, friends of Miss Deshon said, the coldness between the couple grew when Eastman announced his intention of going to Europe.

"Around her throat he tossed a chain that
glowed and flashed with the dark radiance
of blood or the fire of sunset."
"Ought I to wear them?" said Dolores.
"They are so perfect—so lovely."
"The face at the window gazed down-
ward at a white-gloved hand. In that hand
was a blue steel revolver."

There is a thrill and a mystery in every
chapter of "The Dolores Rubies."
The great serial story by Ernest J. Hop-
kins starts in next Sunday's "Examiner."
\$4000 Offered in Rewards
See Page 10 for Details

TAYLOR'S DAUGHTER



Miss Ethel Daisy Tanner, whose father's life was taken in Los Angeles, is at present in a finishing school in the East.

DEAD ACTRESS LOVED CHAPLIN

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—(By Universal Service.)—Love affairs with Charles Chaplin, film star, and Max Eastman, writer, were echoed today in the death of Florence Deshon, screen actress. Miss Deshon was found unconscious in her room, which was filled with gas pouring from an open jet. Eastman submitted to a blood transfusion operation in a vain effort to save her life. Recently Miss Deshon went to Los Angeles, where it is reported Chaplin paid her marked attention. It is reported that Chaplin's marked attention to Miss Deshon caused a rift in the long friendship between the film actress and Eastman. Recently, friends of Miss Deshon say, the coldness between the couple grew when Eastman announced his intention of going to Europe.

GRIFFITH OFF TO CONFERENCE

LONDON, Feb. 5.—(Special Cable Dispatch to Universal Service.)—At the end of the all-day conference at Downing Street and the colonial office between Michael Collins and Lloyd George with other members of the cabinet, an urgent call was sent to Dublin for Arthur Griffith. Griffith left Dublin tonight in great haste for London.

Callons, accompanied by Brian O'Higgins and E. J. Duggan, met the cabinet members early this morning in an effort to find a way out of the deadlock over the Ulster situation. A further session was held this afternoon and evening, after Premier Lloyd George had met in London from Chequers to meet Collins and his colleagues.

The members of the cabinet present included besides the Premier, Winston Churchill, Austen Chamberlain, Sir Hamar Greenwood, Lord Birkenhead and Attorney General Sir Gordon Hewart.

600 Sinn Fein Women Loyal to Republic

DUBLIN, Feb. 5.—(By the Associated Press.)—Six hundred delegates, most of them youthful, representing women's Sinn Fein organizations, reaffirmed their allegiance to the republic in a resolution today. They also called on the women of Ireland to support at the elections only candidates standing true to the republic proclaimed in 1916, and asked them to join in reimposing the Belfast boycott unless prisoners in Northern jails for political offenses are released.

Chorus Girl Made English Duchess

LONDON, Feb. 5.—(Universal Service Special Cable Dispatch.)—England's first chorus girl duchess is the new Duchess of Leinster, the wife of Lord Edward Fitzgerald, who succeeds to the title following the death yesterday of his brother, in Edinburgh. The new duchess was formerly May Etheridge of the Gaiety Theatre chorus. She married the new duke in 1913.

NIGHT DRESS, DEATH CLEW, DISAPPEARS

Dope Peddler, Said to Supply
Film Colony, Hunted as the
Purveyor to Actress Addict

Missing Letters Mabel Normand
Wrote to the Slain Director
Become Center of Inquiry

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 5.—The "Examiner" learned late tonight that a prominent rich young New Yorker, formerly engaged to marry one of the most beautiful stars in the film world, has mysteriously disappeared, and because this actress was a close friend of William D. Taylor, the director murdered in his home last Wednesday night, a nation-wide search has been instituted for the missing man. He is reported to have checked out of his hotel last Wednesday afternoon and to have departed from Los Angeles the following day, shortly after Taylor's body was discovered.

The police have information that he headed for San Diego and believe that he may have crossed the line into Tijuana, Mexico. Efforts will be made to find him and he will be required to account for his movements the day and night of the tragedy.

According to the authorities, this man was jealous of Taylor and upbraided the actress for having anything to do with the director. He is said to have employed one or more men to follow her, and on one occasion recently, when she visited the Taylor bungalow, to have flown into a rage. This occurred several hours after the visit, when his detectives reported the matter to him. A stormy scene ensued and the actress is said to have broken off her engagement on the spot. Efforts toward a reconciliation were made later by the young man, but to no avail and he is said to have been brooding and drinking heavily ever since.

Interest in this latest development was divided with the search for a narcotic drug peddler, upon whose trail the police said they "were getting warmer" and for a slitten night dress said by Henry Peavey, colored houseman, to be missing from the apartment of the slain film director.

The police were reticent to give details regarding the search for the man believed to have sought patrons for his contraband drugs among the employees of the motion picture studios, but they intimated their belief he had attempted to make a delivery through Taylor to an actress who found it difficult to make her purchase in person.

STATEMENT CONFIRMED.

The statement by Peavey that Taylor had kept in his apartments a woman's pink silk nightgown, which has been missing since Taylor was slain, received support from the police tonight.

The officers stated that Earl Tiffany, formerly a chauffeur for Taylor, had given them information of a similar nature.

Tiffany was said to have told the police that Edward F. Sands, Taylor's former butler, told him of how the butler had spied upon Taylor and had thus found in his apartment a large number of pieces of stolen underwear foreign to a man's wardrobe.

Suddenly projected into the forefront of the investigation into the amazing murder case, the missing letters of Mabel Normand to the film director also became a major importance tonight, when police detectives centered their efforts upon a search for the person who stole them.

It is now not only the theory, but the belief, that the solution of this riddle will open up a clear pathway to the door of the murderer. Miss Normand, while admitting that she wrote several letters to

Today

Another Pope.
Smile Week.
Worse Than War.
Who Shot—Man or Woman?
—By Arthur Brisbane

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NEW POPE, PIUS XI, RULES AT VATICAN; MARY MINTER ADMITS LOVE FOR TAYLOR

RATTI NAMED PONTIFF TO HEAD CHURCH

Gasparri Retained as Papal
Secretary of State; Corona-
tion Is Set for February 12

Election Completed One Hour
Before Arrival of American
Cardinal O'Connell From U. S.

ROME, Feb. 6.—(By the Associated Press.)—Cardinal Achille Ratti, archbishop of Milan, has been chosen supreme pontiff of the Roman Catholic church to succeed the late Pope Benedict XV. His coronation as Pius XI will take place February 12.

After the announcement of his election the Pope appeared on the outside balcony of St. Peter's and bestowed the benediction on the thousands who had waited patiently in the rain in St. Peter's square—the first time this has occurred since the breach between the state and the church in 1870. For fifty-two years the blessing had been bestowed from within the basilica.

The election was completed without American participation. Cardinal O'Connell, archbishop of Boston, arriving when the new Pope was blessing the multitude.

GASPARRI RETAINED.

"Universal pacification" is the keynote of the new Pope's policy, as indicated in a statement issued by Prince Chigi, marshal of the conclave, which made reference to the first blessing bestowed by Pius XI. Continual conciliation inaugurated by his predecessor, probable reconciliation of the state and church, which have been estranged for so many years, and an appeal to all nations to restore peace are said to constitute the most essential aims of the Vatican policy.

Cardinal Gasparri will retain his office as papal secretary of state. This announcement, almost immediately after Pius XI had assumed the high pontificate, is regarded as significant, as Benedict XV required twenty-four hours for the appointment of Cardinal Gasparri, and never previously had a newly-elected pontiff chosen his secretary of state before two or three days.

FULL AUTHORITY.

That the new Pope has decided to exercise his full authority was shown when some cardinals attached to what has become known as the "irreconcilables" attempted to persuade him not to appear on the outside balcony. He listened to the arguments for a few moments, and then said:

"Remember, I am no longer a cardinal. I am the supreme pontiff now."

The diplomatic corps and papal aristocracy were received in the Vatican this afternoon. His Holiness passed along the loggia, accompanied by his entourage and escorted by noble guards in their red full dress uniforms, and the Swiss guards in mediaeval costumes.

As the pontiff moved slowly along all knelt. He offered his hand and it was reverently kissed. Then he proceeded to Clementine Hall, where others received the papal benediction.

There was a touch of melancholy, sadness and disappointment to hundreds of Americans mingling among the thousands in St. Peter's Square when Cardinal Biletti, dean of the cardinal deacons, appeared on the balcony of St. Peter's and shouted:

"I bring you great joy."

The words spelled consternation to the Americans, and a few minutes later, as Cardinal O'Connell's automobile drew up to the large bronze gate on the right side of the Vatican, it was realized that one more conclave had been held without American participation.

The thousands waiting in front of St. Peter's for the wisp of smoke which would tell of the election of a new Pope or the failure of the

Pope Pius XI



CARDINAL DIES IN VATICAN

LONDON, Feb. 6.—Cardinal Marini, according to the Rome correspondent of the London "Times," died in the Vatican shortly before the election of the Pope. Cardinal Marini was suffering from influenza at the time he entered the conclave. He remained in bed for the first day, but on the second day he participated in the deliberations and was able to take part in the balloting. After that his condition became worse and he was compelled to remain in bed.

Cardinal Nicholas Marini was a cardinal deacon. He was created cardinal and proclaimed on December 4, 1916. He was born in Rome, August 20, 1843. He was secretary of the congregation for the Oriental church.

The Best Writing Papers are Whiting, Pape, and Adair.

ARMS PARLEY WORK LAUDED BY HARDING

Covenants Signed and Sealed,
Washington Conference Ends
With Speech of President

Four Treaties and Supplement
to Fifth Given Final Approval;
Envoys Start for Home

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—(By the Associated Press.)—The covenants finally signed and sealed, the Washington conference was passed on to history today by President Harding as "an example to imbue with new hope all that dwell in apprehension."

Speaking before a plenary session which brought to a close the negotiations begun 12 weeks ago at his invitation, he declared that the record of achievement voiced in courageous tones the first deliberate and effective expression of great powers "in the consciousness of peace, of war's utter futility."

Before him lay, newly signed, the treaties by which the world preponderant nations engaged to limit their navies, to guarantee a new deal for China and to set up an international concord to keep the peace in the Pacific.

"It matters little," he said, "what we achieve as the outstanding accomplishment. Any one of them alone would have justified the conference. But the whole achievement has so cleared the atmosphere that it will seem like breathing the refreshing air of a new morn of promise."

"It may be that the naval holiday here contracted will expire with the treaty, but I do not believe it. Those of us who live another decade are more likely to witness a growth of public opinion, strengthened by the new experience, which will make nations more concerned with living to the fulfillment of God's high intent than with a genius of warfare and destruction."

"Since this conference of nations has pointed with unanimity to the way of peace today, like conferences in the future, under appropriate conditions and with aims well conserved and definite, may illumine the highways and byways of humane activity. The torches of understanding have been lighted and they ought to glow and encircle the globe."

The President delivered his message soon after the formal signing of the treaties had been concluded, and when he finished the conference closed as it had opened November 12, with prayer. Within a few minutes some of the foreign delegates already had left Washington and most of the others will go tomorrow.

Four of the treaties and a supplement to the fifth were given final approval today, but their red wax seals had been attached in advance and the entire ceremony occupied less than an hour. No other business remained and the seventh and final plenary session ended at 11:13 a. m., one hour and eleven minutes after it was called to order.

In the order of their signature, the instruments to which the plenipotentiaries affixed their names were the four power Pacific treaty supplement, excluding the principal Japanese islands from the scope of the pact; the five-power naval limitation treaty; the five-power submarine and poison gas treaty; the nine-power general Far Eastern treaty, and the nine-power Chinese tariff treaty.

Of the three other treaties resulting from the negotiations, that relating to Shantung was signed Saturday, and those dealing with cable rights in Yap and allocation of former German Pacific cables are yet to be put into final form by direct exchanges between the interested parties.

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Film Star's Letter, Found in Residence, Tells of Affection

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 6.—The story of a wonderful love. A young girl's adoration beating its timorous wings under the shadow of impending calamity.

When a carefully treasured letter fluttered from the pages of a book Thursday it revealed a love idyll charming in its conception, dramatic in its development, peculiarly sad in its fulfillment.

The love story of Mary Miles Minter and William Desmond Taylor.

Out of the cloud of circumstances brought to light by the murder of the famous director shines the clear ray of this remarkable romance between the cultured, dignified man of fifty and the beautiful ingenue of 19.

In the search of Taylor's effects conducted the morning after he met his mysterious death chance played a freakish role. The examination virtually had been concluded. One of the investigators selecting a book from the case at random idly fluttered the pages.

Out' dropped a letter.

He picked it up and found it to be an ingenious love letter written on heavily embossed stationery.

"Dearest—I love you—I love you—I love you—" it read. And below this reiterated sentence appeared a line of crosses followed by a single cross heroic in size. At the end it said: "Yours always—Mary."

And on the wings and body of the butterfly crest appeared the words: "Mary Miles Minter."

Miss Minter did not deny the authorship of the letter.

"I did love William Taylor," she said, "I loved him deeply and tenderly, with all the admiration and respect a young girl gives to a man with the poise and culture of Mr. Taylor."

Though many of their acquaintances knew of the close friendship between Miss Minter and the distinguished director, only a handful of intimates ever had understood the intensity of their love.

But for the letter so strangely discovered on the scene of a tragedy, this romance perhaps might never have been disclosed.

It was at Santa Barbara two years ago that William Taylor and Mary Miles Minter met. He was her director and it was her first venture at motion pictures. She was very young, but she had the yearnings of the adolescent girl to be treated as "grown up."

The unfeeling courtesy which Taylor always accorded to all members of his company awakened the interest of his young star. Here was a man who treated her as a woman, who showed her the deference not usually accorded to the short skirts and curls she wore at that time. After completing several pictures at Santa Barbara the company went to New York and it was there in a little inn at Greenwich that Mary first realized her love for William Taylor.

TAYLOR HAD SON, 25, CLAIM

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 6.—"I am the son of William D. Taylor, director for the Lasky-Famous Players."

A young man, possibly 25 years of age, introduced himself in these terms, in a casual manner, to F. H. McDowell, assistant editor of "Screenland," about two weeks ago.

"The young man came to our office in Hollywood," said McDowell, at his residence in Santa Monica tonight, "and said he had a script he would like to place with us for production in 'Screenland,' a magazine devoted to motion picture subjects."

"He said he had been writing scenarios for the past five or six years, and added in passing that he was the son of William D. Taylor."

"I paid little attention to this statement until the day the tragedy was revealed. I had supposed that the fact, if it is a fact, that Mr. Taylor had a son would have developed before this, but nothing having been published on the subject I assumed that it either was not known or was of no interest."

DAUGHTER SEES FATHER IN FILM

NEW YORK, Feb. 6.—Ethel Daisy Deane-Tanner, 13 year old daughter of William Desmond Taylor, slain motion picture director, first learned his identity when his image was flashed on the screen of a New York playhouse and her mother, who was with her, exclaimed:

"That is your father."

Miss Deane-Tanner, who is a student in the New York School of Applied Design, recognizing the resemblance between the shadow picture and photographs in the possession of her mother, now Mrs. E. L. C. Robins of Mamaroneck, wrote to Taylor in care of the motion picture company, thus beginning a correspondence that continued up to the time of the tragedy.

First posed picture of former Kaiser Wilhelm since his exile in Holland will be found on Page 1, Section 2.

MAN THOUGHT SANDS UNDER SURVEILLANCE

Telegraphic Warrant Sent Authorities at Carlin, Nevada, for Arrest of Suspected Slayer

Sheriff Tells "Examiner" He Will Only Arrest Suspect if Description Proves Similar

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 6.—A telegraphic order directed to Constable Berning of Carlin, Nevada, charging Edward F. Sands with the murder of William D. Taylor and authorizing his arrest was dispatched tonight by Acting Lieutenant of Police Toomey.

The wire was sent following the receipt of a message from Constable Berning stating that a man answering Sands' description had been in Carlin for several days.

Constable A. H. Berning of Carlin, Nev., was communicated with over the long distance telephone by "The Examiner" late last night and stated that he had not placed under arrest the man he suspected to be Edward F. Sands. He said, however, that he had the man under surveillance and if detailed description expected from the Los Angeles police fitted in he would hold the man for the southern authorities.

The suspect, according to Constable Berning, arrived in Carlin late Sunday afternoon. The man had stated to residents of the town that he came from Los Angeles. Suspicion was attracted to him because of an evident desire to keep "under cover." Constable Berning described the suspect as follows: Twenty-six years of age, height 5 feet, 7 inches; weight, 150 pounds; light brown hair; fair complexion; smooth face. He wore a grayish-black cap, an expensive dark brown corduroy suit, brown shirt and a black necktie.

(Special dispatch to "The Examiner.")

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 6.—Admission by Miss Minter of her romance added importance to the investigation conducted by Detective Sergeants Cato and Cahill, who tonight were questioning one of the most widely known motion picture actresses in the entire profession, expecting to secure vital information upon what several of the investigators believe to be the overshadowing theory in the William D. Taylor case.

Located by "The Examiner" late tonight and questioned until midnight by Deputy Sheriff Harvey Bell and George Pross, manager of the local Burns Detective Agency, the wealthy young New Yorker, who had been engaged to an ingenue motion picture star frequently mentioned in connection with the William D. Taylor murder mystery, gave an account of himself which, in the opinion of the officers, practically eliminates him from consideration.

The examination of the young man occurred in a downtown hotel and was of special interest because of his close relations to two of the actresses most conspicuous in the social life of Taylor.

He was able, state the officers, to account for every hour of his time on the night of the murder.

Interest had centered in this picturesque character for several days, largely because he was known as the rejected suitor of the star, who herself was infatuated with Taylor.

It appears now that there is no definite theory remaining except that relating to Edward F. Sands, discharged secretary-valet of the murdered man.

One lesson that everybody should learn is TO SELL WHILE

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Today

Motor War Coming?
Our Hopeful President.
Fast Funerals.
Biting Its Own Hand.
By Arthur Brisbane

A big automobile war is coming apparently.
Ford's program "to make things so cheap that people come and take them away from me," does not suit competitors. The International Harvester Company, which manufactures tractors, and General Motors, owner of the Sampson Tractor, in addition to cutting tractor prices, are giving away plows and harrows with the tractor.
Ford's purchase of the Lincoln Company, which produces a very expensive car, is said to mean violent competition in another direction.

Such competition did not seem to be Henry Ford's idea, a few weeks ago, when he talked to the writer, mentioning his intention to bid eight millions for the Lincoln Company to save Leland from failure and his workers from idleness. Ford said then, that if it were necessary to help the automobile business generally he would cut down his own production of cars, in order to compel the purchase of competitive makes.
But sometimes very friendly beginnings end in a fight.

President Harding, always hopeful, as a good American should be, says of the Washington conference: "The torches of understanding have been lighted, they ought to glow and encircle the globe."
So they are. But the late Czar of Russia thought the same after he had started the great peace enterprise at The Hague. Where is that Czar now?

You cannot change the characters of wild animals or of men by calling them together. You must change their natures before you can change anything important.
Barnum showed a lion and a lamb living peacefully in the same cage. But he was careful to keep that lion full of meat. And that particular exhibition made no difference to lions and lambs in general.

At French funerals, horses attached to hearse and carriages move always at a very slow walk. Passersby raise their hats, it is very solemn.

Frenchmen that came to America were amazed to see funerals trotting briskly through the streets, out to the cemetery, and said: "These people live fast, they are even in a hurry to get to the grave."

What would the French say of the Denver chauffeur fined for driving his hearse thirty miles an hour through crowded city streets? The excuse was: "Judge, I had to make two funerals and I was trying to get to the second on time."

Perhaps if we really knew what happens after death, we should all be in a great hurry to get to the grave, and reach the other side and whatever awaits us there. Perhaps NOT.

In Berlin because of a great strike, streets are dark at night, theaters close, five hundred thousand walk to their work, through snow and slush every day. When the machinery we call civilization breaks down in one place, it breaks down all over—like an automobile.

Dissatisfied workers found no way of solving their problems except by attacking and inconveniencing other workers. The prosperous do not suffer, they ride and eat as usual. One working group on strike makes other groups walk or do without work.

Our combined intelligence has not carried us very far, and labor, enraged, acts like the asylum idiot that bites his own hand.

The ancient American Bible Society, in existence for a hundred years, yields to the high cost of production, and will make Bibles no more. Hereafter it will distribute Bibles, but manufacture Bibles no more.

If fathers and mothers knew the value of the Bible to their children, the American Bible factory would go on.

Regardless of belief, there is no book more important than the Bible, especially to children. The original King James version, not doctored or improved edition, is the best possible education in the English language.

Failure to read the Bible is responsible for much of the abominable English used today.

France celebrates the three hun-

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DRAGNET SPREAD FOR SANDS AS SLAYER; MABEL NORMAND SWOONS AT FUNERAL

HENRY BOWIE JAP GOD, SAYS WILL CONTEST

Stepson of Hillsborough Orientalist Declares That Man Left Money for Deification

Suit Brought to Set Aside \$100,000 Bequests Made to Three Japanese in Yokohama

Has the accidental spirit of the late Henry P. Bowie, wealthy San Francisco lawyer and oriental, been deified as a Japanese god?

Was it with such a promise at the close of an earthly career, taken up with things oriental, that the clubman and art lover bequeathed \$100,000 to a Japanese woman and her two sons, all living in Yokohama.

The Superior Court in San Mateo County yesterday was called upon to answer these questions, put in a contest to break the will filed in Redwood City by George H. Howard, Bowie's step-son and San Francisco architect.

His father, Howard set forth, assigned a lion's share of his \$206,000 estate to the three Japanese, members of one family, Koma Hirano and her sons, Iano and Takeo Hirano. It was in the household of the Hirano family, he set forth further, that his step-father pursued his studies of Japanese art, literature and life.

No member of this family has ever visited America, it was asserted.

PROMISED DEIFICATION.
In disposing of a large portion of the properties to the Japanese, Howard alleges, Bowie acted upon a promise made by his brown beneficiaries. The promise, he said, was that they would bring about the deification of his spirit as a Japanese god.

Bowie was not of sound mind, mentally incapable and not competent to execute the will that so favorably mentioned his friends of Japan, it is contended.

The will was admitted to probate February 10, 1921, in Redwood City. The stepson requested the court to examine the brothers and relatives of the late testator to trace the strange influence of the Orient that had encompassed the capitalist. The kin are people prominently in peninsula society.

These relatives include:

Three step children, George H. Howard Jr. and J. H. T. Howard of Hillsborough and Mrs. E. D. Baylor of San Mateo; a sister, Mrs. Helen Bowie Detrick of San Francisco, and three brothers, Dr. Hamilton Bowie, Allan St. John Bowie and Hyde Bowie, all of San Francisco.

BROTHER ADMINISTRATOR.

With admission of the will to probate, Judge George H. Buck appointed Allan St. John Bowie as sole executor and special administrator of the holdings.

The will gives \$10,000 to Mrs. Helen Detrick, \$8,000 to Hamilton Bowie, \$1,000 to Hyde Bowie and the balance in equal parts to Allan St. John Bowie and the three Japanese.

Bowie died in San Mateo on December 21, 1920. He was the son of a pioneer Californian and retired from active practice of law in San Francisco in 1890. His later years were devoted to travel, writing and art. In this pursuit he spent much of his time in Japan, although he always maintained a home in San Mateo.

Howard, the step-son, said last night:

I don't consider my step-father's will such a document in the legal meaning of the word.

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Oakland's County Merger Plan Is Snowed Under by More Than 2 to 1

City Consolidation Plan Opposed by 31,873 and Urged by 16,267; 31 Precincts Missing

Returns from 395 out of 426 precincts in Alameda county on the Oakland city-county consolidation plan were:

For consolidation 16,267
Against consolidation 31,873

Complete returns from 250 out of 282 precincts in Oakland proper were:

For consolidation 12,687
Against consolidation 18,266

Berkeley complete:

For consolidation 3,059
Against consolidation 4,868

Alameda complete:

For consolidation 205
Against consolidation 4,734

Oakland's city-county consolidation plan for joining the towns of Piedmont and Everyville to Oakland, and proving for the boundaries of the proposed new territory, was yesterday overwhelmingly defeated.

The proposition was beaten in Oakland by a majority of more than 5,000.

Alameda voted strongly against the measure, while in Berkeley the majority against the consolidation scheme was not so heavy.

The up-county towns put thumbs down on Oakland's greater charter election.

Alameda County has a registration of 160,000 votes. In yesterday's contest the total vote was less than 50,000.

A majority of all votes in the county were required to have carried the measure.

Drastic Measures In India Forecast

LONDON, Feb. 7.—(AP)—The India office issued an official communication this evening indicating it was the intention of the government to adopt stern measures to suppress the campaign of civil disobedience in India.

It adds that no government could discuss the demands contained in the recent manifesto of Mahatma K. Gandhi, the Indian nationalist leader.

Nicola Refuses to Be Italy's Premier

ROME, Feb. 7.—(AP)—Enrico de Nicola, president of the Chamber of Deputies, has declined King Victor Emanuel's invitation to form a new cabinet to succeed the ministry of former Premier Bonomi. It was reported this evening. The King's invitation was extended to Signor de Nicola yesterday.

St. Louis Man Urged As Hays' Successor

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—The name of William Sacha of St. Louis as a successor to Will Hays as Postmaster General was presented to President Harding today by Senator Spencer of Missouri. Mayor Henry Kiel of St. Louis and a delegation of Missouri Republicans.

8 Die in Kentucky Coal Mine Explosion

HUNTINGTON (W. Va.), Feb. 7.—Eight men were killed, two badly injured and one is missing as the result of a mine explosion late today which wrecked a mine of the Marietta Coal Company on Pond Creek, Ky., according to information received tonight.

France Seeks Delay On Economic Meet

LONDON, Feb. 8.—According to the "Westminster Gazette," the British government has received a note from the French government making strong representations that the Geneva economic conference should be postponed three months.

ARMS PARLEY IS ATTACKED IN COMMONS

Mostly Arithmetic, Says Labor Leader; Peace Not Brought by Mere Cutting of Forces

History's Biggest Achievement, Millions Saved This Year, Premier Lloyd George Replies

By ROBERT J. PREW.
Staff Correspondent of the Universal Service

LONDON, Feb. 7.—(Special Cable Dispatch.)—The results of the Washington conference were criticized in the House of Commons today during the debate following the speech from the throne. J. R. Clynes, Labor leader, declared:

The conference was largely a matter of arithmetic in instruments of war. Nothing was done to reduce land armies or air forces. But peace cannot be brought to the world by mere reduction of forces.

In reply Premier Lloyd George declared that the Washington result is one of the finest achievements ever registered in the history of the world and that the thanks of Britain are due to Balfour for the high distinction with which he served his country.

"ARITHMETIC NECESSARY."
"Tonnage and guns and everything of that kind must be dealt with by arithmetic," declared the Premier. "As a result of the arithmetic in this case, this country will be saved millions on armament this year."

The Premier's statement was greeted with cheers. It is significant that the king's speech dealt first with the four-power treaty, showing that Great Britain attaches more importance to the Pacific pact than to the arms agreement.

Pointing out the fact that the four-power agreement replaces the Anglo-Japanese alliance, the King read the following ministerial pronouncement:

I am happy to feel that the long standing concord between the two countries will remain as cordial as ever under the arrangements thus concluded. At the same time our relations with the United States enter a new and even closer phase of friendship.

GERMANY WARNED.

After dealing with the Washington conference, the Premier warned Germany that its policy of vengeance against France would not pay. Amid labor cries of "another war," Lloyd George defended the Anglo-French pact, which he is now negotiating with Premier Poincare, saying:

France must be given the feeling that she is not isolated. There is nothing more dangerous than the fear of a gallant, brave nation. France needs to be given confidence and calmness of judgment in her present disturbed state. The world pact will give France, that confidence, if she knows that if she is invaded without provocation, Britain with her whole strength will desire to support her.

One of the grave dangers to France is that the next generation of Germans will be brought up with thoughts of vengeance.

The traditional scenes of splendor witnessed the King's opening of Parliament. One observer tonight points out the incongruity between the grave words of the King's speech on the need of economy, and the brilliant surroundings in which he read them.

While the Lords are being taxed out of their castles and the Bishops have barely enough to live on, there was the usual magnificent display of diamonds and pearls and gorgeous robes of scarlet and ermine.

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SLAIN MAN AND STAR HE DIRECTED



Mary Miles Minter moving picture actress, and William Desmond Taylor, murdered film director, were in San Francisco in December, 1919. Miss Minter came up from Los Angeles to make an address before the San Francisco Advertising Club on December 3 of that year. Taylor was also here at the time. These pictures were taken while they were here.

Star Faints on Viewing Slain Man's Body 10,000 Storm Church at Burial Services

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 7.—Miss Mabel Normand, the motion picture actress, who visited the home of William Desmond Taylor just before he was shot and killed last Wednesday, fainted today when she viewed his body in the church vestibule after the funeral service, and had to be removed to her home.

Outside, during the services, many women in the crowd fainted. With in the darkened pro-cathedral only one fainted. She was Miss Normand, who was attired in deep mourning, and who is one of the last to have seen the dead director alive.

Miss Normand had sat within a few feet of the casket. During the service she fixed her eyes upon it, occasionally sobbing and clasping the hand of a woman companion. Supported on the arms of two women, she was the last of the long, long line to file past the casket for a last look at the director.

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HANDKERCHIEF LETTERED 'S' BESIDE BODY

District Attorney Is Ready to Issue Warrant for Ex-Valet Accused by Police of Crime

Nation-Wide Hunt Is On for Man Charged With Shooting Down Noted Film Director

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 7.—The letters written to William Desmond Taylor, murdered film director, by Mabel Normand, screen actress, and for which Miss Normand searched the Taylor apartments in vain last Saturday, have been returned to her, according to three detectives working on the case. A flat denial to this statement, however, was made at Miss Normand's home tonight by her press representative.

According to the police, the Normand letters were taken from the Taylor apartments the morning the murder was discovered and were returned only after the taker had received a suggestion that he might be the subject of a grand jury investigation.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—Dan Collins, "Dapper Dan," ex-convict and tenderloin habitue, whose name has been mentioned in connection with the murder of William Desmond Taylor, Hollywood motion picture director, has been arrested in Miami, Fla., according to a telegram received by the police department today.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 7.—All the evidence in the hands of the authorities seeking to solve the mystery of the slaying of William D. Taylor, prominent motion picture director, was declared tonight to be converging toward Edward F. Sands, alias Fitz Strathmore, the discharged former secretary-valet to the murdered man.

A complaint charging Sands with the murder may be issued tomorrow from the district attorney's office, it was stated tonight by Chief Deputy W. C. Doran.

The statement regarding the possible issuance of the complaint tomorrow followed the revelation that a detective was said to have found a handkerchief with the letter "S" embroidered on it, near the body of Taylor.

Henry Peavey, Taylor's colored servant, said his employer had no such possession as a handkerchief with the letter "S," and that he was certain such a handkerchief was not on the floor of the apartment when he left it shortly before the time fixed as that of the murder last Wednesday night.

A nation-wide search for the missing ex-valet Sands was instituted by the police, with descriptions of the much-wanted fugitive who had robbed his employer sent broadcast.

Doran said the issuance of the complaint depended upon the developments of the case. He stated all reports of the police officers working on the case were being taken to the district attorney's office.

Sands, now a fugitive from justice, as charges of grand larceny and burglary preferred against him by Taylor never have been dismissed, is frankly declared by the police also to be wanted for the murder of the director.

A sensational touch was added to the developments in the case during the funeral services today at St. Paul's Pro-Cathedral when Miss Mabel Normand, the noted screen

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Today

137 Years, No Life.
Japan in Brazil.
A Few Arbuckles, Only.
Good Wages—Good Times.
By Arthur Brisbane

Ga-Be-Nah-Gew-Wonce, Chippewa Indian, is dead, aged 137—he could remember the War of 1812, and was married eight times. In the whole 137 years he LIVED less than Keats lived, in that one night when he read through "Chapman's Homer."

The Chippewa Indian in his 137 years also knew less real life than Napoleon knew in 10 seconds, as he took the crown in his own hands and put it on his head.

It is how MUCH, not how LONG you live that counts. Giant turtles on the Galapagos Islands live a thousand years, and never really live at all.

The Japanese have established a gigantic colony in Southern Brazil. Thousands of immigrants have come in, a great, a practically impregnable Japanese seaport and coaling station are planned. The Brazilian Government has withdrawn subsidies hitherto paid to Japanese immigrants and wonders how it can check the establishment of a Japanese fortified seaport on South American soil.

At the same time you read that United States fortifications at the Philippines and Guam are stopped. Those fortifications would have given this country control of the Japanese situation, as it affects this continent north and south. And that control we abandon at the request of the Washington conference sentimentalists.

This is Japan's day. We guarantee her rights in the Pacific, and she establishes herself in South America.

Home clergymen and missionaries gathered at Rockford, Ill., deplore world conditions. A missionary described "South African jungle natives concocting a home brew so horrible that it makes them walk backward. They make alcohol of everything."

That is the worst of it, any vegetable substance can be changed into poisonous alcohol by anybody and that makes real prohibition difficult.

Bishop Nicholson wanted to know whether the church would make its young people into "Fatty" Arbuckles and Peggy Joyces, or Sherwood Eddys and Frances Willards? The world will continue to produce a few of the "Fatty" Arbuckles and a few of the Frances Willards, and hundreds of millions of good average human beings neither Arbuckles nor Willards, but behaving themselves pretty well and carrying on the drudgery of civilization.

William M. Wood, head of the American Woolen Company, tells his thousands of employees they need fear no cut in wages, at least for this season. The class most interested in maintaining wages is not the wage-earning class, but the employing and capitalistic class.

All that anybody can get is what the average man has to spend. To know the difference between labor at \$5 a day, and labor at 10 cents a day, go to China and try to make money there.

Where the crowd has no money there is no money to be made. And the more the average man has, the more the exceptional man can get. Let able men remember that.

The soldiers' bonus will go through, unless some bad excuse is found at the last moment. This worries many that have money, and dread taxation. Yet the bonus will increase prosperity, especially for those that are well to do.

Millions paid out will be immediately put into circulation. Soldiers that will get the bonus need the money for immediate expense. Ten days after the money is distributed it will be spent, and begin doing its work in trade revival.

Russia, it is said, wanted to cut the Russian army down 50 per cent, but Trotsky, who rules the army, says "No." You are told the "Trotsky faction" laughs at the coming Genoa conference and its suggestion.

Lenine is supposed to be boss of Russia. But Trotsky is known to be boss of the army, a wonderful transition, from a small room in a New York tenement house to boss

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MABEL NORMAND-TAYLOR LETTERS FOUND

HARDING URGES POPULAR SHIPPING POOL; BRITISH BLAMED FOR IRISH ABDUCTIONS

MERGER PLAN WINS BACKING OF PRESIDENT

Conference Begins at Capital, but Action Will Have to Wait on the Decision of Congress

Merger Plan Must Permit Full Development of All Parts, Is Statement Made by Lasker

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—(By Universal Service.)—President Harding today personally urged upon the shipping and commercial interests of the Pacific Coast, the formation of "Popularly Owned" company for the development of the American Merchant Marine.

He visualized an organization that would perform a public service and a patriotic duty at one and the same time, and which would redound to the greater prosperity of each individual port while solidifying the interests of the whole.

Addressing a delegation from the principal ports of the Pacific, called into conference by Chairman Lasker of the shipping board to discuss a proposal for the pooling of their interests to purchase and operate a fleet of steel steamships now owned by the government, President Harding referred to the American Merchant Marine as one of the problems in domestic affairs that concerned him greatly.

One of the greatest ambitions of his life, he said, is to see the American flag firmly established on the seven seas, an ambition that possessed him long before he became President.

INTEREST IN WEST.

The President then voiced his deep personal interest in the proposal to form a shipping company on the Pacific Coast, the stock of which should be popularly owned by the people of the entire coast.

Acknowledging the spirit of cooperation in which the coast cities entered the conference, he expressed the hope that their deliberations would be successful.

The conference today was devoted largely to informal discussion of the project. President Harding met the delegation at the White House in the morning. Later Chairman Lasker was host at luncheon to the members, after which the committee and members of the shipping board conferred for several hours.

Today's deliberations developed unanimity of opinion in favor of the principle of the proposed combination. There was no controversy. Tomorrow the conferees will endeavor to devise a plan that will assure to each individual port the support of the entire corporation, if it is organized.

This will involve a plan to enable the individual units to develop and expand according to their resources. While the elimination of ruinous competition between Pacific ports is one of the aims of the combination, it is not intended to stifle friendly rivalry between communities.

NO ACTION AT PRESENT.

One of the delicate points of contact between the ports in this shipping agreement will be the distribution of vessels to be purchased. The conference will undertake to adjust this first.

It was made clear today that nothing definite can be accomplished by the conference until after the President has delivered his ship subsidy message to Congress and until Congress has acted on it. Therefore, the deliberations of the conference will be tentative.

But the shipping board, through Chairman Lasker, emphasized its formal transfer of the property within the next thirty days.

Hughes Worn By Diplomacy Plans a Trip

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—(By Universal Service.)—Secretary of State Hughes will seek the balmy breezes of Bermuda to recover from the effects of nearly three months of arms conference activities.

With the completion of his report of the American delegation, upon which he worked almost throughout the night, the Secretary announced today that he will sail before the end of the week and be away probably until March 1.

HELICOPTER IS FOUND SUCCESS

By FORBES W. FAIRBAIRN.

LONDON, Feb. 8.—(Special cable dispatch.)—Louis Brennan's experimental helicopter yesterday completed its first actual successful test at the Farnborough aerodrome. Rising vertically from the ground and hovering in midair for some minutes, the helicopter landed light as a feather almost on the identical spot from which it rose.

The machine, weighing more than a ton, carrying a pilot and 250 pounds of excess weight and with a heavy supply of gasoline, was sent up secretly in a gyroscopic test.

The experiment showed according to Brennan, the possibilities of a greater upward lift. "I am fully satisfied," he declared. "The success of the helicopter is assured. When an actual flight is made some time in the next two weeks, the machine will perform even better than is claimed for it now. At present the construction is a secret and it is being assembled behind locked doors."

3 Guarantees Asked By France at Parley

PARIS, Feb. 8.—(Special Cable Dispatch to Universal Service.)—In an important declaration to the Foreign Affairs Committee of Parliament tonight, Premier Poincare affirmed that France has informed Great Britain that France will only attend the Genoa conference provided she is given the most express guarantees.

These guarantees, although secret, are understood to be:

1. That the allies must not recognize Russia's Soviet government, no matter what the Genoa resolutions are, unless Russia definitely undertakes to set her house in order and pay the Czar's debts to France.
2. That Great Britain and Italy solemnly agree not to allow any of France's rights in any treaty, including the League of Nations, to be touched.
3. The last stipulation is France's answer in advance to England's certain proposal that Germany be admitted to a European financial consortium on equal terms with the allies, in which she would be given a financial advantage substantially reducing her debts.

\$125,000,000 Oil Deal Completed in London

By FORBES W. FAIRBAIRN. Staff Correspondent of the Universal Service. LONDON, Feb. 8.—(Special Cable Dispatch.)—One of the world's biggest oil deals, involving \$125,000,000 and 600,000 acres of the richest oil-bearing lands in Texas, was completed in London yesterday between L. V. Curry of 111 Broadway, New York, representing the owners of the property, and a syndicate of British oil interests.

EX-S. F. LINER DESTROYED BY FIRE, SINKS

Northern Pacific, Which Carried Yanks to France, Burns on East Coast in Mystery Blaze

Vessel on Way to Be Conditioned for Service on Pacific Coast; Survivors Carried to Safety

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 8.—A wireless report to the Philadelphia Navy Yard from the coast guard cutter Kickapoo stated that the Northern Pacific, on fire off the Delaware Capes, sank at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—Leaving the former proud transport Northern Pacific drifting ablaze to sink off Cape May, N. J., rescue craft tonight were making for Norfolk and Hampton Roads with survivors picked up from small boats.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—The former transport Northern Pacific today, was destroyed by fire forty miles off Cape May, N. J.

A crackle of the radio early this morning brought word that fire had broken out aboard the swift steamer and that she was a mass of flames.

Later messages reported that she had been abandoned by Captain William Lusk and her skeleton crew who were taking her to drydock in Chester, Pa.

Rescue of all her crew by steamships which had rushed to the scene was next recorded.

From early this morning the staccato notes of wireless told the swift story of a gallant craft meeting her fate in crackling flames and leaping seas.

The vessel was on the Pacific coast run before America entered the war.

INACTIVE FOR MONTHS.

For several months the former transport was tied up in Hoboken. Then purchased from the government by the Admiral Line for service on the Pacific, she left last night for Chester, under command of the man who had trapped her bridge during the stirring days of the war. She carried no passengers.

Officials of the Admiral Line were unable to state how many persons were on board the steamer. Radio messages from the steamer Herbert G. Wyle indicated, however, there were twenty-seven members of the crew and four employees of the Sun Shipbuilding Corporation.

"Twenty-two members of ship's crew now on board," said the Transporter's wireless. "Five on tanker Herbert G. Wyle. That accounts for all hands in crew. Ship now burning throughout length. Impossible to board at this time."

The Wyle radioed she had stood by the burning vessel until daylight, seeking the four missing men, but had not found them.

The United States coast guard cutter Gresham left Staten Island to go to the burning steamer at 7:45 o'clock. It was expected the Gresham would arrive shortly after noon.

The steamship Northern Pacific was recently purchased by the Pacific Steamship Company from the U. S. Shipping Board for operation in the coastwise passenger trade for a price said to exceed \$1,000,000. Officials of the line intended spending \$500,000 for reconditioning the vessel preparatory to bringing her to this coast.

Fossil Found May Bare Facts On Glaciers

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—(By the Associated Press.)—Discovery near South Norwalk today of the fossilized remains of "King Crab," who died millions of years before the advent of man, may enable scientists to write a few more chapters into the geological history of North America.

Authorities of the American Museum of Natural History said the importance of the discovery depended on studies of the sandstone bed on which the fossil was imbedded. It may result in valuable information concerning the movement of glaciers and the extent of animal life in the paleozoic age, or may serve to verify theories concerning the history of North America before it was hoisted upward from the bed of a world-encircling ocean.

BONI ASKS POPE FOR FREEDOM

PARIS, Feb. 8.—(Special Cable Dispatch to Universal Service.)—It is learned on undeniable authority that Marquis Boni de Castellane will demand that Pope Pius XI authorize a rehearing of his demand to annul his marriage with Anna Gould, now the Duchess of Talleyrand.

His previous demand to have his marriage annulled, made shortly after he and Anna were divorced, was refused by orders from the Vatican for unknown reasons.

Boni's new step refutes the report that the Duchess Talleyrand is divorcing the Duke in order to marry Boni. According to an intimate friend, Boni recently declared:

"Anna is still my wife in the eyes of the church, but the situation is intolerable. Since we were divorced she married the Duke Talleyrand civilly. I intend to ask his holiness to consent to the annulment immediately."

Asked whether it was true that Anna has obtained a divorce from the Duke, Boni replied:

"I know nothing of her affairs and desire to know less."

Although in conformity with French law, which prescribes prison sentences for anyone divulging details of divorce cases, the officials of the courts declare that there are no records of the Talleyrand divorce. It is reported on good authority that the decree is likely to become final in the spring.

Booze to Be Allowed Influenza Victims

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—Federal prohibition directors in all states were instructed tonight by Commissioner Haynes to co-operate to the fullest extent with physicians and druggists wherever influenza is raging or there is other public catastrophe.

"All applications for permits from physicians and druggists in localities affected," Haynes said, "should be acted upon as promptly as possible, and such work should be given preference over all other work of the directors' offices."

U. S. Treasury Is Periled by Blast

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—(By Universal Service.)—A fire and explosion which shook the granite construction of the United States Treasury to its foundations thrilled official Washington this afternoon and created pandemonium for a time among the thousands of employees in the historic structure.

ULSTER TORN BY KIDNAPERS; SCORES HELD

London Sends Dublin a Demand for Release of Prisoners; Collins Pledges Assistance

Armed Gangs Raid 4 Counties; Constable Killed, Many Shot in Battles and Ambush Fights

BELFAST, Feb. 8.—(By Associated Press.)—Sir James Craig, Premier of Ulster, today issued a manifesto to the people of Northern Ireland declaring the British Government was responsible for today's kidnaping outrages because of its demobilization of the special constabulary following the Irish truce. The kidnaping incidents, declared Sir James, would strengthen the Ulster men's determination that "what Ulster has she holds."

LONDON, Feb. 8.—(By Associated Press.)—The Government this evening telegraphed the provisional government of Ireland asking it to obtain the release of all prisoners taken across the border from Ulster.

Michael Collins replied tonight that the kidnapings had been due to apprehensions regarding the men under sentence of death at Londonderry, but that the provisional government was doing its utmost to insure the safe return to their homes of those kidnaped.

BELFAST, Feb. 8.—(By the Associated Press.)—Armed bands raided several of the northern counties of Ireland last night and early today, kidnaping prominent Unionists from their homes and ambushing Ulster special constables on an extensive scale.

The Ulster government announced it would take drastic measures to deal with the raiders. It immediately mobilized in Belfast hundreds of the Ulster specials and despatched them in lorries to the scenes of the kidnapings and attacks, where they now are scouring the country in search of the perpetrators.

The counties where the raids occurred were Fermanagh, Tyrone, Donegal and Sligo. Word was received this evening that all the men taken prisoner by the raids in Sligo were released this afternoon.

In several cases Unionists attacked put up a desperate resistance and were wounded before being carried off. One constable was shot and killed in a fight with his assailants.

About twenty "B" specials and the sons of some Unionist farmers were kidnaped and spirited away, as well as a lorry load of "A" specials with arms and ammunition. Among those kidnaped were Major Anketell-Mourly, head of the Tyrone Orangemen. Former High Sheriff Carson of County Fermanagh, whose house was raided, related single-handed for an hour until he was wounded and carried off in a motor car.

The house of Major Moores at Fellsash, Fermanagh, was attacked, but he escaped.

A merchant named Elliot, at Enniskillen, fired on the raiders when his house was attacked and it is believed he wounded one of them. The merchant escaped.

Attacks were also made on the houses of former County Inspector McGuire and various other prominent Unionists in the vicinity of Enniskillen who were absent at the time from their dwellings.

Governor's Home Hit by Lightning; Flames in Tower Quickly Subdued

Mrs. Stephens and Daughter in Mansion Library When Bolt Strikes; Unaware of Blaze

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 8.—A bolt of lightning struck the governor's mansion here at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon, firing a cupola of the building known as the "Tower" and exploding telephone wires in the rooms below.

No one was injured and the blaze was extinguished by the fire department before it had gained material headway.

Governor W. D. Stephens was at his office, but both Mrs. Stephens and her daughter, Mrs. John S. Osborn, were in the library of the mansion when the electric storm swept down upon the gubernatorial residence.

Neither Mrs. Stephens nor her daughter realized that the executive home had been struck until the fire alarm had been turned in by watchmen.

Ornamental iron framework surrounding the "Tower" is believed to have attracted the electric shock which came during one of the most severe thunderstorms that has ever visited this city. A heavy downpour which turned into a violent hail storm preceded the thunder and lightning.

The mansion is of frame construction and members of the fire department expressed the opinion that the building would have been doomed had the bolt of lightning struck at night, with the watchman off duty.

52,617 Blind in U. S. In 1920, Report Says

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—The number of blind persons in the United States decreased from 57,272 in 1910 to 52,617 in 1920, according to figures for the last census announced today to advanced methods for treatment of blindness, and also to education of the public in prevention of blindness.

The affliction was shown to be more common among negroes and Indians than other races.

Indian Volunteers Burn Police Camps

LONDON, Feb. 8.—Indian volunteers burned police camps and the records contained therein at Purel-Bihar and at Orissa, on the bay of Bengal, February 3, according to a statement issued by the India office tonight. Disturbances are reported also to have occurred on the occasion of the Tribeni Meia fair, resulting in the arrest of five volunteers. The police were stoned and some received slight injuries.

British Ship Afire, Abandoned by Crew

KEY WEST (Fla.), Feb. 8.—The British steamer Coylet, bound from Avondale for New Orleans, was abandoned afire and in a sinking condition tonight 12 miles southwest of Sand Key. The crew was picked up by the steamer Soroca and will be taken to Savannah. Other vessels which answered distress calls from the Coylet returned tonight. The Coylet registered 3,221 tons.

Aged Japanese Navy Chieftain Succumbs

TOKIO, Feb. 8.—(By the Associated Press.)—Count Admiral Kenori Kabayama, a member in Japanese privy council, a war minister of war, died at 86 up here today at the age of 86.

HANDKERCHIEF WITH 'M. M. M.' DISCOVERED

Woman's Dainty Wisp of Lace and Silk Found in Renewed Search of Tragedy House

Thomas Lee Woolwine on Job; "Tragedy Must Be Solved," His Dictum to Police Heads

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 8.—A bundle of ribbon-tied letters from Mabel Normand to the slain film director, William D. Taylor, found today in the toe of a boot in a closet in the latter's home.

A dainty lace handkerchief, initialed "M. M. M.," still retaining a hint of the elusive fragrance of its feminine owner, also found today in an obscure corner of the same place.

With these as the latest tangible evidence at hand of the part which some woman may have played in the slain man's life, the State, as represented by the office of District Attorney Woolwine today assumed charge of the investigation into the murder of the director.

SEAL OF SECRECY.

Acting with dramatic suddenness, officers from District Attorney Woolwine's office today threw the entire weight of State and county machinery into the unraveling of the mystery of the crime, and the search for its instigator. At the same time a seal of secrecy was placed upon their activities, and other than to admit that the letters and the handkerchief had been discovered, they refused to discuss their finds.

The letters, it was learned, were those which Mabel Normand, soon after discovery of the tragedy, admitted she had sought vainly in a hurried visit to Taylor's residence. Their presence in the toe of the boot, which ostensibly had been cast aside in the closet, indicated to the searchers who found them that either they had been hidden there by the slain man; or, more likely, that the person who put them there had been interrupted in an effort to spirit them to a safer repository.

With the admission, however, that the District Attorney's office would direct the probe into the murder, it was stated today that the first of a galaxy of film stars and other personages would be submitted tomorrow to an incisive examination by members of the prosecutor's staff.

STARS TO BE QUIZZED.

Every person whose name has been linked with the case will be asked to tell what they know of Taylor, his life, his associates, in an effort to unearth new evidence in the murder and to correlate what evidence already has been secured. It also was known that every one who evinces any attempt to conceal information that would be of value to the officers will be subjected to a grueling of the most severe nature.

Detective Sergeant Herman H. Cline, Walter Murphy, J. E. W. E. R. Cato and William Cahill, announced tonight that every bit of information in their files from been placed in files, fiber, mad-trick attorneys' stripes and Russian words included, well made, a limited number in all sizes. Very special.

\$1.65 Men's Shops, Annex
Ryland Hall's Books

Today

Who Owns the Air?
The Sad Seagull.
A Ladies' Decalogue.
1200 Per Cent, Not New.
By Arthur Brisbane

Who owns the air?
That question must be officially settled. The American Telegraph and Telephone Company hopes it will be settled in favor of the American Telegraph and Telephone Company.

There are "air lanes" above your head, as there are ship lanes on the ocean. Messages sent haphazard by radio collide and interfere with each other, like ships wandering in fog. Regulations must be made as to "tuning" of wireless instruments, hours at which "air lanes" may be used. The public will await with interest the decision as to air ownership.

Below Albany on the Hudson River where big icehouses stand, a sad seagull stood on the river, frozen from shore to shore. It was a little after 7 in the morning, the gull, a young bird, hatched last year, deeply discouraged, doubtless thought to itself:

"Well, this settles ME. The water has suddenly turned solid. No more swimming or fishing ever."

That is how we reason when things go wrong, for we also are birds born last spring. We see war and conclude that it will last forever. We see human selfishness governing, exploiting, robbing the weak, and think that it will last forever. But it won't.

Far from the seagull on the west bank of the river, men were cutting ice, to store it away while it lasted. In the East the sun was rising, with plenty of power to melt that ice.

On this earth, the industrious profiteers are cutting and storing ice as rapidly as they can. But the sun is rising.

A good lady has written "The Women's Voters' Decalogue."

No. 2 tells the ladies that they must belong to a party, "a free lance gets nowhere."

Bad judgment. The free lance gets everywhere. Napoleon was a free lance, defying all traditions and parties. He got on the throne, then on St. Helena.

John Brown was a free lance. He landed on the gallows.

Christopher Columbus was a free lance, he landed in America. The Wright Brothers of Ohio were free lances of the air, they "got somewhere" with a vengeance.

Copernicus, Kepler, Galileo, Newton were all free lances of the intellect. You would not say that they "got nowhere."

They will be honored when all workers in all political parties are completely forgotten.

The lady voters' decalogue says "Let us try to make our party right, then support it wholeheartedly."

How are you going to make it right? A party, often, is like a carpet, the best thing for it is a beating.

Parties begin in enthusiasm, honesty, good intentions. They end in the hands of corrupt "conservative" grafters and are like ships that need to be taken out of the water and scrapped.

Parties need to be taken out of power and chastised.

Usurers in Bolshevik Moscow charge as much as one hundred per cent a month, twelve hundred per cent a year. Horrible, but mild compared with what some of the profiteers did to their Uncle Sam in the war.

And the interest rate that Moscow usurers charge is mild compared with interest that many young men pay on their own foolishness.

Ten foolish sleepless nights, with nervous strain, have cost many a man ten years of life, and more.

That is more than twelve hundred per cent.

You have read discussion about new and unpleasant taxes to be imposed to pay the soldiers' bonus.

A tax for a special purpose, whatever the tax may be, will of course antagonize the public and make the bonus unpopular.

Is anybody interested in making the bonus unpopular?

You did not notice the imposition of any plainly labelled obnoxious tax in order to give hundreds of millions to the railroads, did you?

That was done on a fine patriotic, hurrah-boys basis. But when it comes to paying soldiers that lost their jobs, the public is

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THE WEATHER.

San Francisco, Oakland and vicinity: Friday mild, fresh southwesterly winds. G. H. WILLSON, Forecaster.



NEW GIRL ENTERS TAYLOR TANGLE; BRITISH BACK ULSTER AGAINST RAIDERS

'KEY' SYSTEM SEEKS BRIDGE TO GOAT IS.

Sanction of Government on Yerba Buena Terminus Asked by the Officials of Railroad

Extension of Tracks to West Side of Isle Projected; Ten Minutes Saved on Bay Trip

East Bay communities are anxiously awaiting word from Washington that will, in effect, move the entire district ten minutes nearer to the San Francisco side by means of a terminus on Yerba Buena Island.

Announcement that permission had been requested in Washington by the Key Route to extend their present rails to the west side of the island was made yesterday by officials of the company, when advice was received from the East concerning the filing of the application.

In their requests filed with the Navy Department, War Department and Department of Commerce the San Francisco-Oakland Terminal Railway asked permission to carry their present tracks, via a bridge, to the island.

ADDED FACILITIES. With the extension of the tracks, added facilities are planned for vehicular traffic.

The island terminus would be constructed to care for all classes of travel. Accommodations would also be provided sufficient to create a joint union terminus for all lines now running into Oakland.

Two features stand out in the proposed scheme: one the shortening of the running time between the two sides of the bay and the other the concentration of all transcontinental termini at one common point. As a third possibility the scheme offers the first step in an apparent solution of the "bridge-the-bay" problem.

It was estimated yesterday that the new terminus would cut down the time required in crossing the bay by 10 minutes, at the same time lessening any existing danger from fogs through the shortening of the ferry trip. The advantages of a union terminus for transcontinental and local lines were numerous and of manifold importance to all the communities. It was pointed out yesterday.

In addition to the centralization of traffic, advocates of the project forecast creation of a new industrial center where the rolling stock of the lines handled through the new terminus would be handled on the continental side of the bay.

LINK IN CROSSING. The feasibility of making the proposed terminus the first link in a continuous bay crossing was also pointed out. With the east bay terminus extended to Goat Island, the second link, composed of a tunnel under the remainder of the bay would provide a possible solution of the bay-bridge problem. Centrally located, Goat Island possesses the advantage of equal accessibility to practically all east bay communities.

While details of the proposal were withheld yesterday it was announced by President W. R. Alberger of the Key Route that they would be made public as soon as definite word is received from Washington concerning the granting of their request for permission for the work.

It was stated, however, that any type of bridge required by the Government would be built. According to officials conversant with the water traffic problems it would be necessary to construct the bridge as not to interfere with tidal action. This would at the same time permit of a further extension

Big Storm Sweeps State; Railroads, Highways Suffer; Rivers Are Rising

Landslide Blocks Western Pacific Near Belden; Heavy Snow in High Sierra, Report

San Francisco and all California yesterday experienced one of the heaviest rainfalls in recent years. Landslides delayed train schedules, highway traffic in central California was tied up and one school has been closed.

Storm warnings were issued for the entire coast from Eureka to San Diego.

Rainfall of more than an inch was noted for the bay region yesterday, with more promised. Moderate gales for the entire state are predicted for today by the weather bureau.

Both eastbound and westbound Western Pacific trains were blocked between Portola and Belden. Work of clearing the track was handicapped by the heavy fall of snow yesterday. Hundreds of tons of snow and rock are piled on the tracks.

Rapid rising of the Sacramento, Feather, Yuba and Mokelumne rivers within the next twenty-four hours is predicted. A rise of between sixteen to twenty feet in the Sacramento, due to the warm rains which are rapidly melting the snow is expected.

More than forty inches of snow fell at Truckee, while at Summit a depth of eighty-four inches is registered.

At Martinez heavy rains have caused numerous slides along the Southern Pacific tracks and the State highway. The high school is temporarily closed because of the impassable condition of many of the roads and the flooding of the basement.

Slides have tied up railway and highway traffic at Vallejo Junction, Nevada Dock and Hanna Hill. Two crews are at work with steam shovels keeping the main line of the Southern Pacific open.

Rapid changes in weather conditions about the bay have caused the announcement by the Weather Bureau that in future the forecast will be for San Francisco, Oakland, Alameda and Berkeley. In the past it has been given out generally for the bay regions, Northern California, Sacramento, San Joaquin and Santa Clara valleys.

Rivers Rise as Result

Of Heavy Rain in North

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 9.—General storm conditions prevailed today throughout the Sacramento valley, with heavy rain interspersed with hail falling at intervals during the day. The total rainfall since the storm began yesterday morning was given as 1.85 inches by N. R. Taylor, Federal Weather Bureau meteorologist.

The Sacramento river has risen to a point slightly above its feet at 6 o'clock tonight, and Taylor reported that the American, Yuba, Mokelumne and Feather rivers were rising rapidly. There is no danger of floods, he said.

England to Lift Ban

On Market for Gold

LONDON, Feb. 9.—Sir Robert Stevenson Home, Chancellor of the Exchequer, announced in the House of Commons tonight, in reply to a question, that it was the Government's intention to permit the re-establishment of an unrestricted market for gold in London at the earliest date at which the state of exchange renders this course possible and desirable.

Prince Yamagata of

Japan Laid to Rest

TOKIO, Feb. 9.—(By the Associated Press.)—Elaborate ceremonies today marked the burial of Field Marshal Prince Yamagata, Japan's noted elder statesman, who died at Odawara, Feb. 7.

12,000 ARMED MEN GUARD ULSTER LINE

British War Office to Support North Ireland to the Limit; Nine More Men Are Kidnaped

4,000 South Irishmen Mobilize for Attack; Fratricidal War Is Threatened

DUBLIN, Feb. 9.—(By Associated Press.)—According to a report from Strabane, County Tyrone, 4,000 armed men with 300 motor cars had assembled in the valley at Donegal Tuesday night ready to advance on Londonderry, when the news of the reprieve of the three men under sentence of death at Londonderry was received.

The men dispersed.

By FORBES W. FAIRBAIRN, Staff Correspondent of the Universal Service

LONDON, Feb. 9.—(Special Cable Dispatch.)—The British war office announced tonight that it would support Ulster to the limit. This decision was reached following Premier Craig's strong protest to Downing Street on the subject of the recent raids and kidnappings.

Premier Lloyd George personally gave the Ulster premier his promise that England would not "let the Northern counties down."

Tonight 12,000 fully armed men are guarding Ulster's 100-mile border, with orders to shoot to kill all suspicious characters. At the same time prominent Sinn Feiners in the border counties have been warned that their lives will be forfeit if any of the kidnapped Ulsterites are killed.

No one attempts to deny that the situation is serious and that fratricidal war may break out at any moment. What may be the beginning of such a warfare started today, when nine additional men were kidnaped during considerable promiscuous shooting along the border.

With the situation at its tensest, Ulster seems ready to jump instantly into a more serious dispute.

The respective governments are abandoning all other business and attempting to reach an adjustment. Michael Collins, head of the provisional government, has definitely promised that the kidnaped men will be returned, but the broken-down condition of the system of communication may prevent the orders from reaching the remote hill prisons for several days.

Lloyd George and Winston Churchill do not believe that De Valera is responsible for the kidnappings, preferring to think that dissatisfied Republicans are acting independently.

Arthur Griffith has been at the all-day conferences at Downing Street and has personally assured Lloyd George that the provisional government is loyally carrying out the treaty. It is possible that Griffith will meet Craig for a further discussion of plans to improve the relations between the North and the South.

Additional Kidnaping

Reported From North

BELFAST, Feb. 9.—(By the Associated Press.)—Additional kidnappings occurred today in County Fermanagh, one of the counties in which yesterday's raids were carried out. Four class "B" special constables were kidnaped in the Rosslea district. They were taken in the direction of Ballybay, where it is believed other prisoners are being kept.

The number of men held captive after yesterday's raids is placed at two hundred by the "Northern Whig" Unionist newspaper. Two men of Aughnacloy, County Tyrone, who were taken prisoner

GIRL REEL STARS IN REAL DRAMA



Lary Miles Minter (at left), screen star whom the slain William D. Taylor directed in several successes. A handkerchief with the initials "M. M. M." was found in the Taylor bungalow. At right—Another pose of Mabel Normand, cinema come lienne, called to appear before District Attorney Woolwine today at Los Angeles as witness in shocking tragedy investigation.

3 SLAIN, 8 SHOT IN INDIA RIOT

LONDON, Feb. 10.—The Indian government has ordered the immediate arrest of Mahatma K. Gandhi, leader of the Non-Cooperationists in India, according to the "Daily Sketch."

LONDON, Feb. 9.—(By the Associated Press.)—The British Indian police fired on a mob of 10,000 natives during a serious riot at Tiruvannamalai about eighty-five miles southwest of Madras in the Tanjore district, on Tuesday last, killing three persons and wounding eight others, says an "Evening News" dispatch from Madras, filed Tuesday and received today.

The superintendent of police, the deputy magistrate of Mayavaram, a nearby town, and some members of the reserve police force were wounded. The situation at Rajahmundry and the adjacent villages in the Godavari district, northeast of Madras, is daily becoming more menacing, the dispatch adds. Indian Congress volunteers in uniform, armed with bamboo staffs, are parading the streets, singing national airs and drilling openly. All this is done under the noses of the police. The women are participating.

Greek Churchman Is

Placed in High Post

CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 6.—(By the Associated Press.)—The enthronement today of the Most Rev. Metaxakis as patriarch of Constantinople lacked the splendor of similar former occasions, owing to the absence of representatives of the Sultan's government and of the allied and neutral embassies. The only foreign representative was the Serbian minister.

'Dummy Note' of \$5,000,000 Laid to W. B. Thompson

WASHINGTON, Feb. 9.—The assertion that William Boyce Thompson "of the National Republican organization" had borrowed \$5,000,000 from the New York Federal Reserve Bank on a "dummy note" was made by Senator Heflin, Democrat, Alabama, in the Senate today in the course of an attack on the Federal Reserve Board.

NEW YORK, Feb. 9.—William Boyce Thompson tonight denied Senator Heflin's statement in the Senate today that he had borrowed \$5,000,000 from the New York Federal Reserve Bank on a "dummy note."

Officials of the bank declined to discuss the subject.

Queen of Hungary's

Necklace Is Sold

PARIS, Feb. 9.—(By the Associated Press.)—The celebrated pearl necklace which once belonged to Maria Theresa, Queen of Hungary, and which has been on display here, has been bought by Jefferson Davis Cohn of England for £200,000.

Former Emperor Charles of Austria-Hungary pawned the heirloom in Switzerland preparatory to leaving the country by airplane in his last attempt to regain his throne.

Jefferson Davis Cohn is a godson of the Jefferson Davis who was president of the Confederate States of America.

Spanish Transport

Burns, Crew Perish

MADRID, Feb. 9.—(By the Associated Press.)—The Spanish transport Palma, sailing from the island of Majorca, in the Mediterranean, has been destroyed at sea, says an official announcement today. The transport's crew perished, but the troops on board were rescued.

FUGITIVE SEIZED; 'I KNEW TAYLOR'

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 9.—Walter F. Underwood, charged with abducting with \$1,100 of the Pacific Electric Railway's money here two days after the killing of William D. Taylor, was arrested today in Topeka, Kas.

Underwood, until his escape from Los Angeles, a receiving cashier of the Pacific Electric Company, admitted to officers who arrested him that he not only stole the money but that he was acquainted with Taylor and the slain director's valet, Sands, and that he had seen Taylor as late as a week before his death.

Under-sheriff Oscar Carlson of Topeka late last night was putting Underwood through a terrific grilling in an effort to obtain further information from him concerning Taylor.

Underwood is the nephew of a Pacific Electric official here and for eight months has been a receiving cashier.

He denied all knowledge of the Taylor killing, according to the Kansas officials.

He is known to have been on friendly terms with a number of film actresses whose names have been mentioned in the case and his acquaintance in the film industry through his powerful relatives, is said to have been considerable.

Ex-Premier Bonomi

May Resume Office

ROME, Feb. 9.—(By the Associated Press.)—King Victor Emmanuel this evening received former Premier Bonomi at the Quirinal, and it was afterward reported that the latter, whose cabinet resigned a few days ago, would attempt to form a new government.

DEATH NIGHT CALLER ADDS TO MYSTERY

Girl Not Heretofore Mentioned Revealed as Visitor Within an Hour of Normand Visit

Slain Film Man Found to Have Drawn \$2,500 Cash, Then Rebanked It Day of Crime

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 9.—On the night of his murder, William Desmond Taylor had a "woman" visitor who preceded Mabel Normand as a guest of the film director by less than an hour.

This was easily the most important revelation today, coming as a direct result of the systematic and vigorous investigation undertaken by District Attorney Thomas Lee Woolwine.

Who the woman was, at what time she left the South Alvarado street apartment, what she did while there and afterward, and her relation to the murdered man are all considerations of tremendous significance, in the opinion of the authorities.

NEW FIGURE.

Whoever she was, she is a new figure; it would also seem that she is one of mystery, as no mention has been made of her heretofore.

Officials are anxious to know why her visit has never been mentioned, why she should have been allowed to pass from the scene of the tragedy with no one even to whisper her name or the fact that she had been in the director's apartment.

The new disclosure is probably the biggest single circumstance appearing from the dense shadows which have hung like a pall over the case since Bill Taylor was found assassinated.

The day, however, brought two additional major developments. One was the positive statement of Mrs. Douglas MacLean that the man she saw leaving the director's apartment was not Edward F. Sands. In an additional and extended statement on this point made to Under-Sheriff Biscailuz and Al Manning, superintendent of criminal investigation of the sheriff's office, Mrs. MacLean went into the utmost detail.

DREW OUT \$2,500.

The second contribution comes from the Public Administrator's office. It was learned today that Taylor drew \$2,500 from the bank the day before his death and deposited the entire amount on the afternoon of February 1, a few hours before his murder.

This develops the very definite theory that someone had threatened to blackmail the director; that he had drawn the money to pay the blackmailer, then had changed his mind and had been shot down for refusing to make the payment.

The last witness examined this afternoon by District Attorney Woolwine was Patrolman Long, who said that on the night just preceding the date of the murder he saw a suspiciously acting person near the Taylor home. The man ran away upon being detected. Nearby the officer picked up two cigarette butts. These were later compared with cigarettes of Taylor and were found to be the same.

One of the district attorney's announcements during the day was that "the letters written by Mabel Normand to Mr. Taylor and now in our possession contain nothing bearing upon the crime or tending to offer any solution of the mystery."

The statement made to sheriff's officers by Mrs. MacLean is not only vital in itself, but has the added importance of eliminating Howard Fellows, Taylor's chauffeur, as the man she saw.

This was Mrs. MacLean's statement: "I had seen the man whom I have

Today

Two Birthdays—Good Ones.

Silk Shirt to Breadline.
Who Killed Mr. Taylor?
Folly in Film Land.

By Arthur Brisbane

Lincoln's birthday tomorrow. He was mistaken when he wrote to A. G. Henry in 1858, seventy years ago: "I now sink out of view and shall be forgotten." Most briefly put, what is the secret of his success? He knew how to transform knowledge and wisdom. To understand the difference is the beginning of wisdom.

This day is an important birthday also. Thomas A. Edison is 75 years of age and still working. He is the most distinguished citizen of this republic—and that is something, in a nation of 108,000,000. The world knows what he is. You could see it when Foch met Edison at Judge Gary's big dinner. In the parade past the French marshal everybody was perfunctorily introduced and as perfunctorily greeted. Fifty or a hundred time millionaires, great industrialists, newspaper owners, most important in their own opinion—all looked alike and all looked like nothing to Foch. Edison's name pronounced in the usual way made no impression. But Judge Gary repeated it, with a fine French accent, as follows: "Aydeesson, c'est le grand Aydeesson, Monsieur le Marechale."

"Ah, c'est le grand Edison," exclaimed the marshal as excited as though you said: "This is Christopher Columbus." This evening, raise your convivial glass—of water, and drink to Edison, the American that the world knows.

In front of St. Mark's Church in New York City, there is a breadline fifteen hundred men long on the average. That's a bad beginning. Many in that bread line toward the end of the war were selecting \$12 silk shirts, most fastidiously, and asking the man in the shoe shop if he didn't have anything better than the \$18 shoes.

This column, about once in ten times during the boom, urged workers to remember that high pay wouldn't last and to keep some.

Sooner or later good times will come back. Then again this and other columns will say: "Keep some of it." But always there will be a rapid jump from the silk shirt counter to the breadline. That is why a few have much money and the great majority have none.

Those that need the lesson will learn from reporters of the Taylor cinema murder that it does not pay to have too many young ladies writing you letters, ending with nine small crosses and one big cross. Amusing while it lasts, but it does not LAST long.

After the bulldog had torn out the parrot's feathers, that bird said: "I know what's the matter with me. I talk too much."

Many men could learn from details of the Taylor killing what is the matter with them.

It is a mystery to delight detectives.

The killing was done with a bullet 15 years old. Therefore the person that killed did not often use firearms.

Little details that go with the shooting of elderly men, pink kimonos, silk nightshirts, called "nighties" by the reporters, etc., were not missing. They figured also in the Elwell case.

More interesting than the killing by some drug-crazed woman or jealous man, is the psychological study involved in the dead man's funeral—a Japanese movie actor standing rigid, throughout, an officer with raised sword standing by the coffin, the corpse dressed in a military uniform, Canadian soldiers as a guard of honor, Scotch musicians in their kilts.

It was complete, as a movie murder and a movie funeral.

Foolishness blames the moving picture industry for the folly of a few individuals. You see in film-land what has been seen a thousand times—sudden wealth going to the heads of unbalanced men and women and driving them to folly or worse. Great incomes suddenly pour in upon those that had nothing. With a \$500,000 income they try to buy what they conceive to be \$500,000 worth of excitement and pleasure. There is not that much, of a legitimate, harmless kind, for sale—especially not for an uneducated mind. Drink, drugs, immorality and finally

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MABEL NORMAND STAR DENIES QUARREL WITH TAYLOR

BOWIE WED JAP WOMAN, LAWYER SAYS

Widow, Two Sons in Yokohama Were Persons Left \$100,000 of Rich Estate, Is Assertion

Oriental Marriage Explains the Mystery, Declares Attorney Who Will Fight for Share

Love of an American scholar for an aristocratic little Japanese maiden.

A wedding in Japan with a challenge to Kipling's: "East is East and West is West And never the twain shall meet."

Then happiness in a quaint home under the cherry blossoms.

Followed by years of devotion to the children of an American father and Japanese mother.

These are the missing chapters in the life story of the late Henry Pike Bowie which explain the strange \$100,000 bequest he made to a Japanese mother and her two sons of Yokohama, in his will filed recently at Redwood City, according to Louis P. Dunkley, San Francisco attorney, who was engaged yesterday to represent the Japanese legatees.

Koma Hirano, mentioned in the will, was the bride of Bowie's secret oriental romance, Dunkley declared, and Imao and Takeo Hirano, also mentioned in the will, are their children, now grown to young manhood in the house under the cherry blossoms, he added.

TIES OF BLOOD. It was the tie of blood that led to his bequest to the Japanese and not, as alleged in a will contest, which has been started, any promise that the spirit of Bowie would be deified at a special ceremony in Tokyo, Dunkley declared.

Such a ceremony was performed, however, and a shrine was erected to his memory by Shinto priests, Dunkley said he was informed by the Japanese who engaged him in behalf of the Hirano family.

It was the action taken by the Hiranos to be represented in the will contest which has been instituted by George H. Howard, Bowie's disinherited stepson and San Francisco architect, which penetrated the mystery which heretofore surrounded Bowie's movements outside of this country.

VISITS MYSTERIES. Before that, the years that he devoted to his periodical pilgrimages to the far east were mysterious to the people who knew him only as a prominent attorney of San Francisco and recorder of the town of Hillsborough.

In the office of Attorney Dunkley the Japanese interpreter, Morozumi, who acts as a counselor for many of his countrymen, produced a number of letters in explanation of his reasons for engaging the services of Dunkley to represent the Japanese legatees.

He said: One of these letters was addressed to me and the other to the editor of the Japanese New World of this city. They were both written by Kiyoshi Kiyogawa, a Japanese newspaperman now in Japan, who was formerly on the Japanese New World here.

He wrote as a friend of the Japanese family of Bowie. In the letter which he wrote to me he enclosed a clipping from the Lugai Shogyo Shimpo, which is a big Japanese newspaper, telling about the death of Bowie and illustrated with a photograph of Bowie, his Japanese wife and sons.

This letter, translated, says: "The family of Bowie received a letter from the brother of The Great Bowie one hundred days after the death of The Great Bowie."

"It was in regard to an inheritance."

Soldiers' Bonus Tax Program Aims At \$315,000,000 Annual Revenue

House Sub-Committee Figures Gasoline, Tobacco and Parcel Post Levies Under Plan

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—This program of soldiers' bonus taxes was agreed upon today by a House Ways and Means sub-committee.

Two and one-half per cent on the undivided profits of corporations, estimated to yield \$22,000,000.

On parcel post packages on which the postage amounts to 25 cents or more, a tax of 1 cent for each 25 cents or fraction thereof, \$20,000,000.

One cent a gallon on gasoline, \$70,000,000.

Twenty-five cents per horsepower on automobiles, \$50,000,000.

Double the present 10 per cent tax on admissions where the charge exceeds 25 cents, \$60,000,000.

TOBACCO TAXES. Double existing documentary stamp taxes, except in the case of sales or transfers of capital stock on which the rate would be increased from one-fiftieth of 1 per cent to one-tenth of 1 per cent, \$64,000,000.

An increase of 50 cents per 1,000 in the tax on cigarettes, \$25,000,000.

An increase of 2 cents a pound on smoking and chewing tobacco, \$5,000,000.

The program was submitted to the majority members of the Senate Finance Committee, who discussed it with the House sub-committee members. The conference will be resumed tomorrow and after an agreement has been reached the plan will be presented to President Harding.

Meantime, another sub-committee of the House Ways and Means Committee will continue work on the bonus bill itself. Chairman Fordney hoped to have the complete measure with the appended tax program ready for the House within a week or ten days.

TOTAL ESTIMATE. Except for the taxes on undistributed profits and on parcel post packages and the elimination of the proposal for a tax on bank checks, the program as finally drawn by the sub-committee was that tentatively agreed upon yesterday. The total estimate of revenues is \$315,000,000, or \$34,000,000 short of the \$350,000,000 a year the committee has figured necessary to cover the cash bonus payments over two and one-half years beginning January 1, 1923.

Among the documentary stamp taxes doubled are those on real estate conveyances. The present rates are 50 cents where the sum exceeds \$100 and does not exceed \$500 and 50 cents for each additional \$500. The only exception in the increase in these taxes, it was said, was made in the case of playing cards.

Senate Confirms 5 New U. S. Envoys

WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—The nominations of Alanson B. Haughton to be ambassador to Germany, Theodore Britton to be minister to Hungary and Albert Z. Washburn to be minister to Austria, were confirmed late today by the Senate.

The Senate also confirmed the nomination of Fred Morris Dearing of Missouri to be minister to Portugal and that of Roy T. Davis of Missouri to be minister to Costa Rica.

HARDING ASKS PACT SUPPORT FROM SENATE

Johnson Will Back Treaties, With Possibly Reservations on Part of Four-Power Section

Borah, Long "Irreconcilable," Swings Around; Democratic Senators Generally Favorable

By JAMES R. NOURSE.

Staff Correspondent of the Universal Service. WASHINGTON, Feb. 10.—President Harding today, in a speech lasting exactly thirty minutes, laid before the Senate the entire set of treaties drafted by the arms conference and urged their prompt ratification.

The President declared that unless the treaties receive the Senate's sanction every proclaimed desire to promote peace and prevent war would become a hollow mockery.

In strongest terms the President gave his solemn and earnest assurance that there is nothing in any of the pacts which commits the United States in any way to an "alliance, entanglement or involvement."

Especially of the four-power Pacific treaty the President declared it contains no "war commitment," no written or moral obligation to join in defense, "no expressed or implied commitment to arrive at any agreement except in accordance with our constitutional methods."

ATMOSPHERE CLEARED. That the President's exposition of the treaties served greatly to clear the atmosphere was admitted by a number of Senators who have been holding aloof from giving support to the pacts.

That administration leaders, taking advantage of this change of mind, will seek to rush the treaties through to ratification "while the iron is hot," became evident as soon as the President had left the Senate chamber.

Senator Lodge took the first step in this direction by immediately summoning the Foreign Relations Committee to meet at 10:30 tomorrow morning to begin consideration of the treaties.

Senator Johnson, Republican, California, announced that he will propose one or more reservations on the four-power treaty. The principal reservation Johnson contemplates, it is believed, is based upon a declaration that there should be no actual or moral obligation for use of American forces in observing the treaty.

BORAH FAVORABLE. Senator Borah, another of the so-called "irreconcilables," said: "I favor the naval treaty. If I find the President's conclusions justified—if they do not entangle the United States in foreign alliances—I shall support the treaties without delay."

Senator McNary, Republican, Oregon, leader of the "mild reservationists," was one of the first to admit that the President's speech had won him over to support of the treaties. He has been holding out for a reservation, declaring that the United States should not be called upon to use force in meeting any emergency under the four-power treaty.

After the President's speech, the Senator said: "I thought it was a great document. The President made it plain to me that no war commitments exist in Article Two of the four-power treaty. This was the only thing that stood between me and a vote for the treaty and I believe the people of the Pacific Coast will be satisfied with the President's assurance."

Among Democratic members sentiment generally was in support of the President's position, although Senator Hitchcock, who led the fight

Mabel Normand Explains Taylor Letters Star Tells Own Story of Tragic Night

'Blessed Baby' Notes Written in Jest; 'I Have Nothing to Conceal,' She Says.

By WALTER VOGDES.

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LOS ANGELES, Feb. 10.—Mabel Normand sat in her bungalow court apartment here today and for two hours went over in detail the story of her friendship for Taylor, of her last visit to his house on the night of the murder, and of the famous "Blessed Baby" letters which Miss Normand and Taylor wrote to each other. She discussed the general tone of the letters and recited a number of them in detail from memory.

She went over the conversation she had had with Taylor a few moments before he was murdered, giving every sentence she declared that had passed between them.

Miss Normand rose from a sick bed to grant the interview. For two days she has been on the verge of collapse and today her condition became so serious that physicians in attendance notified District Attorney Woolwine that an examination of her story relating to the Taylor murder case would have to be delayed. She talked to an "Examiner" reporter, nevertheless, against the advice of her business manager, who feared for her physical condition.

Star Is Pale, Her Voice Trembles With Emotion. "You'll not see the Mabel Normand you knew on the screen," said her manager, MacArthur, while we were waiting for her to appear. "This terrible case has played havoc with her nerves."

The film star appeared in negligence, her hair down her back in school girl braids. Her face was pale and her voice trembled with emotion when she mentioned Taylor.

"I will talk freely to you, I will tell you everything I know about this terrible case," she said in starting. "And I ask only one thing in return: Print truthfully what I say. So much that is untrue has been printed about me. There is no secret about any phase of my relations with Mr. Taylor. My letters to him—I would gladly set them before the world if the authorities care to do that. I have nothing to conceal."

"I knew Mr. Taylor had letters of mine. Once several weeks before he was murdered I saw them in a drawer of his desk. I remonstrated with him! 'Why do you save my letters, Billy?' I asked. 'There's nothing in them!' He merely smiled in answer."

Asserts Letters Express Merely Jestful Spirit. "I have been charged with trying to recover those letters, with trying to conceal them. That is silly. If those letters are printed you will see that they are most of them casual, they express the jestful spirit that characterized our relations. We teased each other and made fun of each other a great deal. We did that continually on the night before he was murdered when I dropped in for a few minutes to see him."

"As for the letters, well, he would write me: 'Dear Mabel: I know you're an awfully busy woman and haven't much time to grant to a poor duffer like me, but—how about dinner together next

In Tragedy's Shadow

Miss Mabel Normand, noted screen star, who yesterday gave "The Examiner" her first detailed account of her acquaintance with the late W. D. Taylor.



Wednesday and then the Orpheum?

Yours Always, Billy.

"And on one occasion I answered:

Dear Desperate Desmond:

Sorry I cannot dine with you tomorrow. But I have a previous engagement with a Hindoo Prince. Some other time."

"Then I would sign the letter with a little sketch of myself or by drawing a 'daffydil.' You know the 'daffydils,' those funny little comic figures."

"Or he would write to me about books. I just want to show you some of the books he gave me."

Miss Normand rose and picked up a costly illustrated volume descriptive of the Russian Ballet; then another large book describing dress throughout the ages.

"I should like to deny a number of things that have been charged against me," said Miss Normand. "First, that I told some one that I expected to marry Mr. Taylor. I never said it. Secondly, that I was with him on New Year's eve at the Ambassador Hotel, and that we quarreled afterward."

"On New Year's eve, I was at the Alexandria Hotel with Mr. and Mrs. Mahlon Hamilton. I did not see Mr. Taylor that night."

"Did you quarrel with him on any other night after returning from a party or from dinner? And did he return any jewels to you?"

"I never quarreled with him. And he did not return any jewelry to me."

"Then there's the story of the

'We Spoofed and Teased Each Other That Night'; Shows Books He Gave Her.

nightdress found in Mr. Taylor's apartment. It is cruel for anyone to insinuate that it belonged to me. The initials, which I understand were found on it, refute that. The night of Mr. Taylor's death was the only time I was ever alone with him in his house.

"It has been said that check stubs found on Mr. Taylor's desk and the fact that he had drawn some money from the bank just before he was killed would indicate that perhaps some one was trying to blackmail him. I don't believe it. He had his checkbook out that night and was going over his checks for one reason only."

"Ever since Sands, his former butler, had forged his name Mr. Taylor had examined every check that came in carefully. He told me that he could hardly tell Sands' forgeries from his own signatures and he was afraid that the swindling was going on all along."

"On the night of the murder, contrary to what has been said, he was in excellent spirits. During the time that I was with him I heard no sound that would indicate that anyone was in hiding in the house, anyone who might have stepped out and killed him after I left. But I will go back to the first part of that story of our last evening and give it to you all in detail."

Star Goes Into Details Regarding Her Visit. "In the afternoon I went to a jewelry store to have initials placed on a vanity bag of mine. Then I went to the bank to deposit some checks. I'm rather careless about money and sometimes I let my checks accumulate; don't deposit them each week. It was so in this case."

"At the bank I phoned home to my maid, who told me that Mr. Taylor had called up. She said he mentioned having a book for me. I left the bank, bought 50 cents' worth of peanuts from a man on the corner, several magazines and stepped into my limousine."

"I then directed William, my chauffeur, to drive to Mr. Taylor's home. I arrived, went up on the porch and the door was opened by Mr. Taylor's valet, Henry Peavey. I saw Mr. Taylor inside talking on the phone and when Henry asked me to step in I refrained because I didn't want to eavesdrop on his conversation."

"Then Henry went inside and told Mr. Taylor I was there. At once he said good day, hung up the phone and came forward to greet me."

"I know why you're here," he said. "You haven't come to see me at all; you've just come after that book."

Amused by Negro Valet's Bizarre Golf Stockings. "The book was 'Rosmundy' by Ethel M. Dell. It was, not a copy of one of Freud's works, as has been said. I read Freud and Nietzsche long before I met Mr. Taylor."

"For some time Mr. Taylor and I 'spoofed' each other in our usual way while Henry worked about the back part of the house. I looked about and said, 'This place has changed since I saw it last. I see you have both a piano and a

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Today

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Best of Americans.
Lincoln's "Liberty."
No Timid Statesman.

By Arthur Brisbane

Ask 100 Americans, to name a few birthdays of men worth while. Ninety-five will answer: "February 12 and February 22." They know no other birthdays of famous Americans except July 4, when the Declaration of Independence was born (by the way, when the Senate ratifies the agreement to let Japan and England manage the affairs of this country, it will cancel that declaration.)

Why is it that among 100,000,000 Americans only two national birthdays are remembered? The two men, Washington and Lincoln, are far apart in character. Washington was an aristocrat, standing at receptions with his hands behind his back—no shaking hands with common people for him. He rode in state with four fancy horses, was one of the richest men in America, believed in the rights of all men, but, by no means in their equality. He was a fighter by profession, and a magnificent fighter.

Lincoln, whose birthday is celebrated today, was the simplest of human beings. Any good man was his equal, he thought nothing of wealth. His feelings were those of other country Americans, brought up with the village store as their idea of cosmopolitan life, the county courthouse and the legislature their conception of grandeur's greatest height.

America honors these two men, utterly different, because they were THOROUGH. Washington was a thorough fighting aristocrat, fighting for the right of this part of England to separate from the rest. Lincoln was a thorough democrat, fighting to prevent one part of this country separating from the rest. They fought opposite fights. Washington on the battlefield wearing the military glory, Lincoln in council carrying all the worry and hate, no glory, content, as he said to hold the stirrup for any man that would mount and fight efficiently.

Both won, that is the main thing; both were loyal, single-minded, sincere and courageous to a degree unknown to the common herd. There is a common herd, and very common, although no one need include himself in it.

Washington represents the courage of the battlefield, the rare fighting courage that stands up under repeated defeat and treachery.

Lincoln's was the courage of patient, long mental endurance. He could wait, and if every drop of blood drawn by the lash from the bodies of slaves must be paid with blood drawn by the bayonet he could still say: "The judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether."

You may read a man's whole character in a few words. Seward said to Lincoln, in jest: "Mr. President, I hear you turned out for a colored woman on a muddy crossing the other day."

"I don't remember," answered Lincoln, "but I think it very likely, for I have always made it a rule that if people won't turn out for me, I will for them. If I didn't there would be a collision."

George Livermore of Massachusetts, an old abolitionist, got the pen with which Lincoln signed the emancipation proclamation. The wooden pen handle, such as school children bought for a penny, was marked at the end by Lincoln's teeth. He thought hard before he signed that proclamation. In his mind the Presidency was not HIS, he was only a trustee.

"If slavery is not wrong, nothing is wrong. I cannot remember when I did not think so, and yet

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'HIGHER UP' HUNTED IN TAYLOR MYSTERY; 4 SLAIN FROM AMBUSH IN ULSTER CLASH

FRONTIER OF IRISH STATES EMBATTLED

Workers Attacked on Way to Jobs; Crowds Defy Curfew Law and Battle Police Force

Today Expected to See Turning Point in Raid Issue Between Ulster, Free State

LONDON, Feb. 11.—"The raid issue looms as the first test of strength between the Irish Free State and North Ireland (Ulster)," said a Dublin dispatch to the "Star" today. "Sunday probably will see the turning point."

LONDON, Feb. 11.—(Special Cable Dispatch to Universal Service).—The Ulster frontier country was thrown into a panic this afternoon when a sensational encounter occurred between Ulster special constables and republican forces at Clones railway station.

The gravest anxiety is expressed by border residents, many fearing serious reprisals as a consequence. Four men were killed, a number wounded and others taken prisoner when a party of twenty constables was attacked by an Irish republican army detachment. The republican forces were armed with rifles and machine guns.

NO PRISONERS RELEASED.

Sir James Craig, Unionist premier of the Ulster government, who has arrived from London, conferred with his cabinet during the afternoon. The best course of "defensive action" was later discussed with the heads of the military and police organizations. Craig expressed satisfaction over the restraint shown by the people of Ulster.

No casualties were reported following street fights in various parts of the city today. The firing was more spectacular than harmful.

There was no indication tonight that the Sinn Feiners were considering releasing the Ulsterites seized four days ago. That it would be difficult to restrain the Orangemen from making reprisals if the Ulsterites were not released tomorrow was the prediction freely made tonight.

The Lincolnshire regiment of British infantry, which has been stationed at Tipperary, is being moved into Fermanagh County, one of the south Ulster counties that was the scene of Republican raids earlier in the week. The troops will be encamped at Fermanagh until early next week.

ENTIRE VILLAGE FLEES.

It was reported that the "whole population of the village of Clady has taken flight in terror as a result of the fighting between police-men and armed bands there on Friday."

A great army of between 7,000 and 8,000 armed men, the majority of them Ulsterites, confront each other along the Ulster boundary tonight. Feeling has been carried to a high and tense pitch and a single false move may set off a momentous explosion.

The Belfast and Dublin governments are moving with extreme caution to prevent this fatal clash.

Machine Guns Turned On Rioters in Belfast

BELFAST, Feb. 11.—Machine guns were used by the police today in quelling rioting between Orangemen and Sinn Feiners. Fighting broke out when mobs

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Friends Betrayed Into The Hands of Enemies

The New York "Tribune," pro-British, states in its headline of the Washington Disarmament Conference:

Great Britain Satisfied With Washington Conference

The New York "Times," not pro-British but distinctly pro-international banker, says in its headline:

Japan Gains Most in the Conference

There is no question that these headlines tell the truth, the truth which the Hearst newspapers have maintained all along.

Great Britain and Japan are the ones who gain in this conference, the ones who are going home satisfied.

England, a naval empire, and Japan, a militaristic empire, have won all the points at the expense of the Republic of France, the Republic of China, the Republic of Russia, and the United States.

The unfortunate part is that these imperialistic nations have gained and the republican nations have lost through the gullibility or the perfidy of America's statesmen.

You can adopt the word gullibility or the word perfidy, according to whether you believe that our American statesmen were hoodwinked by the superior craftiness of the statesmen of Great Britain and Japan, or whether you believe our American statesmen were persuaded by the international bankers into betraying the interests of the American people to satisfy the worldwide greed and ambition of the international bankers.

But no matter what you believe, you must realize in the face of the facts that the United States has been put in a very dangerous position by the complete surrender to foreign interests that it has made in this Washington conference.

We have surrendered Guam and the fortifications of our island possessions, so that the American navy would have no bases for naval operations in case war should ever be forced upon us.

We have surrendered the naval supremacy that lay within our grasp and which would always have protected us from any attack by overseas nations.

We have surrendered even adequate submarine defense, which at least would have prevented the landing of hostile armies on our coasts and the occupation of our territory by foreign foes.

We have surrendered the adequate development of our merchant marine and not even the battleships to be put out of commission by the decision of this conference can be transformed into merchant vessels.

The United States, the one first-class Power of the world, in wealth, in potential strength, in strategic position and condition, has been transformed into distinctly a second-class Power by the subordinate position it has voluntarily taken with regard to England and Japan.

But, worst of all, is the fact that Japan, by the recognition formally accorded it in this conference, has been made the dominant nation among the yellow nations of the world, the militaristic leader of a thousand million racial enemies of the white peoples.

Not only the people of the United States, but the peoples of Europe, the white race throughout the world, will pay dearly for this act of criminal folly in times to come.

The great conflict of the world, the true World

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NUISANCE TAX TO PAY BONUS IS PROTESTED

Congress Flooded by Opposition to Proposed Special Levies for Payment to Soldiers

Sales Tax, Urged by Senate Leaders, Fought in House; Adoption of Bill Is Delayed

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—(By Universal Service).—A deluge of protests is pouring in upon members of Congress against the program of special taxes proposed by the House Ways and Means Committee for financing the soldiers' bonus.

Opposition to the new scheme of special taxes on gasoline, automobiles, parcels post, doubled taxes on theater tickets and increased tobacco and stamp taxes, as expressed to Congress in protests from all parts of the country, caused the tax plan to be held up today.

Republican members of the Senate Finance Committee and the House Ways and Means Committee, meeting in joint session to consider the proposed new taxes were unable to agree upon any of them. As a result, the bonus bill will be delayed at least a week while Republican leaders in Congress make strenuous efforts to find an acceptable method of financing the plan of adjusted compensation.

Senator Smoot proposed at today's conference that the sales tax be adopted in place of the unpopular new taxes. Members of the House committee, however, expressed opposition to the sales tax and insisted upon the Senate's acceptance of the numerous taxes tentatively decided upon by the Ways and Means Committee.

REFUSE TO AGREE.

Members of the Senate Finance Committee refused to agree to some of the taxes on the Ways and Means Committee schedule, principally the tax of 2½ per cent on undivided profits of corporations and the increased taxes on capital stock and real estate transfers. They proposed that the rate of first-class postage be increased to 3 cents, as originally recommended by Secretary of the Treasury Mellon.

Acting Premier of China Quits Post

PEKING, Feb. 11.—(By the Associated Press).—The resignation of Dr. W. W. Yen, foreign minister and acting premier, was presented to the cabinet Thursday evening. Immediately afterward the government announced that it had summoned home from Washington Dr. Wellington Koo, Alfred Sze, minister to the United States, and Dr. Chung-Hai Wang, the delegates to the arms conference.

Prague Theater Is Returned to Lessee

PRAGUE, Feb. 11.—The German estates theater of Prague, seized by the actors of the Czech national theater during anti-German riots in 1921, has been returned to the German lessee, it was announced today. The lessee is to receive an indemnity for its seizure.

Sporting news will be found on Pages 18 and 19 of the Want Ad Section.

Here Is Soldiers' Bonus Petition to Congress

Petition to Congress for action on soldiers' bonus, with sales tax to pay it.

We respectfully petition Congress to pass the soldiers' bonus act without further delay and also to levy a sales tax to obtain the money to pay the bonus, for the following reasons:

First—Public opinion throughout the United States is undeniably in favor of the soldiers' bonus, as shown by the decisive majority in every State in which a popular referendum has been taken. In Maine, by 3 to 1; New Jersey, by 3½ to 1; New York nearly 2 to 1; Rhode Island, 8 to 1; Wisconsin, 3 to 1; Oregon, 2 to 1; Washington, 2½ to 1, and so on.

Second—We believe that Congress, if permitted to vote on the soldier bonus, will favor it with even greater unanimity, regardless of party, than the popular majority by which the people in 22 states have already approved it; we believe that the soldiers' bonus cannot and ought not to be defeated and that the longer it is postponed, the greater the injustice.

Third—We believe the new tax scheme proposed by the Ways and Means Committee is only a little less objectionable than Secretary Mellon's proposal for 3 cent postage and for a new 3 cents a gallon tax on gasoline. Proponents of such taxes oppose any soldiers' bonus whatever and hope by linking it with such new destructive and unpopular taxes to kill the proposition altogether.

Fourth—If the soldiers' bonus is not only right but inevitable, and if the United States is not to lag behind England, France, Italy, Canada and Australia, which have already paid liberal soldiers' bonuses, then our payment is already long overdue, not as a debt—for our debt to the soldiers can never be paid—but as a just tribute to the valor and the sacrifice of the men who won the war.

Fifth—The only question that remains is: By what system of taxation shall the money be raised. Not by bond issues, because it is against the traditional policy of the United States to increase debt in times of peace. Not by any irritating, unreasonable or destructive tax on individuals, business or industry, because we already have too many such taxes. A small general sales tax will raise more than enough to pay the soldiers' bonus. It will bear heavily upon no one. If the experience of Canada and our own Philippine Islands, where the sales tax is in operation, is repeated, the system will meet with such favor that it will become one of the approved methods of raising necessary revenue after the soldiers' bonus has been paid.

Sign Here

Name _____

Address _____

(Paste additional paper here for more signatures and addresses. Forward petitions when complete to Petition Editor, San Francisco "Examiner.")

SLAIN MAN'S VALET IS GIVEN LONG GRILLING

Startling New Theory Develops That Assassin Watched Victim's House Several Nights

Tracks in Alley, Cigarette Ends Found; Witness Saw Peavey Talking to Man Wearing Cap

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 11.—Secret discoveries by detectives in the investigation of the murder of William Desmond Taylor, slain film director, late today resulted in District Attorney Woolwine subjecting Henry Peavey, Taylor's negro valet, to a long grilling. It was reported he would not be allowed to leave Woolwine's office unless in company with detectives.

From police headquarters there came a report that Woolwine's investigators planned to make an arrest in the case within a short time.

BY OSCAR H. FERNBACH.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 11.—Officials investigating the slaying of William Desmond Taylor have brought into the foreground a startling new theory, viz: That the assassin may have been checking up on the film director's movements for several nights before his opportunity came to strike the death blow.

It is because of this probability that inquiries are being made of private detective agencies of the city, especially the more obscure and least reputable, to find if their operatives were ever employed to watch Taylor and, if so, by whom.

It will be remembered that on the morning following the murder the tracks of a man were found in the alley, and nearby were several cigarette ends. It was concluded, then, and the supposition has never been disproved or discounted by any evidence secured since that time, that the man who stood there long enough to smoke six cigarettes was watching Taylor's house.

TAYLOR'S HOME WATCHED.

Dwellers in the vicinity saw another man two nights before the murder. His attention was centered on the Taylor home.

The police today eliminated Walter Thiele, arrested late Friday night as a suspect in the case. His possession of a cap on which were found blood stains centered the attention of the authorities upon him.

But after a long grilling this morning Captain of Detectives David L. Adams announced that, although Thiele might be the man sought in connection with certain burglaries, he did not have any connection with the Taylor murder.

Following a long conference with Sheriff Traeger, Under Sheriff Biscailuz and Deputy Nolan, District Attorney Woolwine announced that no material progress had been made in the case.

It was stated that Woolwine would personally question Mary Miles Minter, a close friend of the murdered director.

Some days ago W. C. Doran, chief Deputy District Attorney, had a long conversation with the noted star and came from the interview impressed with her frankness and entire willingness to help solve the mystery.

It is said that Woolwine is seeking information from Miss Minter upon

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Woman T. N. T.—Man D. F.
No Mountain, No Valley.
Indians Not Irish.
To Get Cash, MAKE it.

—By Arthur Brisbane—

Bill Sunday, musing on news from Hollywood and the Taylor shooting incident, says "women are as dangerous as T. N. T."

Adam said it, and Marc Antony, Byron and a few million others.

Bill Sunday will tell you that women are not dangerous to men who mind their own business.

It is not the woman's explosive nature, but the asinine character of man, that makes the trouble. A middle-aged fool, crediting to his own charms the influence of his pocketbook, is first an ass, then a corpse, when somebody happens to shoot him—and they blame it on a woman.

A superintendent of schools wants jazz music forbidden, music generally censored. "Music gets into the blood of young folks and stimulates them like alcohol."

Yes, for instance, music got into the blood of David and he danced before the ark. Old King Cole ordered music with his pipe and his bowl. It was music, and the dance of seven veils combined, that persuaded the king to chop off the head of John the Baptist.

Music stimulates without any reaction, no headache the next morning. But what are the reformers to do? If you stop music—can't shoot them all. There will be the sun rising in glory, intoxicating sight to certain minds.

It's a hard job to make the mind of man level and flat like that of an angle worm. It might not be a good thing. "No mountain without a valley," says the German proverb.

Excitement, provides the mountain, men climb up and see farther; if they break their necks coming down, it does not matter.

Newspapers tell of dissatisfaction in India, say that India is a second Ireland. Nonsense, the Indians are not Irish, therefore, India is no second Ireland. Could you imagine England holding down three hundred million Irishmen as she has held down three hundred million Asiatics?

India would suit our moralists. Those Asiatics are vegetarians, never jazz, and a few beef-eating, beer-drinking, self-indulgent Englishmen, seven thousand miles away, rule the 300,000,000 Indians with ease.

Where to find money for the soldiers' bonus? Nobody wants to be taxed, least of all those that war and the soldiers made rich.

Why is it necessary to tax ANYBODY? The nation wants five hundred millions now, and more later, to distribute among three million soldiers. The moment the money is given, it will be spent, distributed among 108,000,000 Americans, quickly absorbed.

Why not simply print the currency, and pay the soldiers with perfectly good money manufactured by the Government at the cost of paper and printing, without taxing any one, or disturbing any business?

Financiers will tell you that would be ruin, INFLATION, most horrible of nightmares! But financiers proved in their opposition to the Federal reserve, that they know nothing about money, except their own desire to monopolize it.

There is not enough currency in circulation. Our gold reserve is three times what it has been in the past. We could double the amount of currency, without harmful "inflation," money needed for the soldiers could be printed, distributed and spent, and it would have, on the nation's finances, no more effect than a few gallons of water on the Mohave Desert.

First: What difference would it make to sound finance if, the Gov-

ACTRESS FACES MIDNIGHT MURDER QUIZ

NEW PONZI OF CHICAGO NETS \$7,000,000; TWO SLAIN AS ULSTER RIOTING CONTINUES

EX-ALCATRAZ PRISONER IN HUGE SWINDLE

6,000 Chicago Families Snared by Lure of 40 to 100 Per Cent Interest Return on "Loans"

Deserter, Once Posing as 'Princess Pat' Fighter, Admits Getting \$4,500,000; Total Grows

CHICAGO, Feb. 12.—Raymond J. Bischoff, taken into custody yesterday after involuntary proceedings in bankruptcy had been instituted against him by creditors, today admitted that he owes about \$4,500,000, representing the savings of 6,000 Chicagoans, mostly foreigners.

Less than one million dollars' worth of oil and gas stock of doubtful value is available to meet the obligations, it was announced. Bischoff, whose financial operations apparently rival those of Charles Ponzi, the Boston "wizard," breathed a huge sigh of relief when taken into custody.

The Central Trust Company was yesterday appointed receivers for Bischoff. Felix Streyckman, attorney for the creditors, said he believed Bischoff's liabilities will run near \$7,000,000. Bischoff, only 25 years old, objected strenuously when it was suggested he accompany deputy marshals to the section of the city where his creditors reside.

INTEREST LURES. Bischoff told Federal officials that he had been in trouble since last November and lost much of his money in several oil deals in which he said he was double-crossed.

Bischoff by paying large returns on money borrowed in a few particular instances, gained a reputation as a financial wizard among the people with whom he dealt, according to Federal agents. Profits of 40 per cent on short term loans were said to be common and Bischoff is said to have paid as high as 100 per cent interest.

According to Streyckman, only the creditors that objected to long waits were paid in actual cash. The waits were content to accept their allured earnings in more notes. Some of the people sold almost all they owned to give Bischoff money. Streyckman said. One man, he said, sold his home for \$7,000 and turned over \$6,200 to Bischoff.

WAS ALCATRAZ PRISONER. Bischoff came from Davenport, Iowa. He first attracted attention when he spoke in Chicago, Denver, St. Louis, Omaha and other cities in 1917, calling himself Sergeant J. C. Breckenridge, member of the 'Princess Pat's Canadian Regiment. He was exposed then as a deserter from the American Army. He was arrested at Salt Lake City for desertion and after court martial, was sentenced to Alcatraz Prison for eighteen months.

He then came to Chicago and entered the employ of a packing house concern, later opening a brokerage office.

James J. Kelly, attorney for Bischoff, today asserted that his client had violated no law but has simply lost money by speculation.

Greek Church Chief Offers Foes Amnesty

CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 12.—The Most Reverend Meletios Metaxakis, who recently was installed as patriarch of the Greek Church in Constantinople and who presided over the first meeting of the Holy Synod, Friday proposed amnesty for the seven dissident bishops who withdrew from the synod and proceeded to Salonica to attend a rival council.

The Angora government has decided to refer the case of Metaxakis to the revolutionary tribunal on a charge of treason.

Splendor Marks Coronation of Pope Before Vast, Colorful Throng

Impressive Ceremony at Vatican as Pius XI Is Crowned Pontiff of Spiritual World

By EDWARD C. STRUTT, Staff Correspondent of the Universal Service. ROME, Feb. 12.—(Special cable dispatch.)—Pope Pius XI was crowned supreme pontiff today before a picturesque, multicolored throng. The ceremony was marked with the greatest of splendor.

Cordons of bersagliers, four deep, with their traditional feathers, were drawn up across the piazza, allowing only those with admission cards to enter the basilica. At the left of the piazza, cavalymen of the royal Piedmont regiment were an imposing spectacle.

Considerable confusion prevailed and the crowds were not skillfully handled, resulting in several "rushes" and an inelegant panic. The cosmopolitan assemblage of monks, priests, Capuchins, Franciscans, nuns and students of all nations, in their characteristic cassocks, ranging from the flaming scarlet of the Germans to the sober black or violet of the Americans, produced a wonderful color scheme.

FEW TICKETS ISSUED. A limited number of tickets had been issued in order to avoid overcrowding, but the vast number of card bearers justified the suspicion that unscrupulous speculators had issued fake tickets when the demand became frantic. Late yesterday there were offers of thousands of lire from rich Americans and others anxious to witness the coronation at any price.

The sun streaming into the Vatican basilica, which was packed with more than 100,000 people, illuminated a spectacle worthy of the centuries old pontifical splendor.

At 8:30 the Pope assumed the pontifical robes and mitre in the sacristy adjoining the chapel of the Holy Sacrament, seating himself on the throne surrounded by the cardinals. Merry del Val, the arch priest of the basilica, pronounced the congratulatory address, afterward kissing the Pope's hand and foot and receiving the papal embrace.

All the other members of the Vatican chapter of bishops and clergy performed the same obeisance. Then the Pope descended from the throne and proceeded to the chapel to worship the blessed sacrament, kneeling several minutes in intense prayer. When he arose he was overwhelmed with emotion.

The papal cortege issuing from the chapel of the Blessed Sacrament, up the central nave formed a unique old world spectacle. It was led by the Swiss guards, carrying halberds. They were followed by the procurators of the Sacred College, the apostolic preacher, the papal confessor with scarlet liveried attendants; Monsignor Canali, the papal master of robes, carrying on a red cushion the triple cross and escorted by pontifical jeweler Tanfani; chaplains carrying precious mitres; red-robed private chamberlains; the auditor of Rote, carrying the pontifical cross surrounded by gentlemen ushers carrying red rods.

CARDINALS' ORDER. Then came the Sacred College, the cardinals walking in the following order: Laurenti, Giorgi, Marini, Gasparri, Lega, Billot, Tacet, Spullini, Vidal, Beulloch, Dougherty, Faulhaber, Ragonesi, Dalbor, Kakowski, Valfré, Diborzo, Sodepilla, Sili, Bertram, Maurin, Ascalesi, Boggiani, Dubois, Ebearelli, Ranuzzi, Lafontaine, Scapinelli, Fudrigo, Mistranelli, Bégia, Rossum, O'Connell, Bourne, Mendes, Audrini, Lucen, Gasparri, Mercier, Lualdi, Cigano, Merry del Val, Richelmy, Franciscana, Loge, Cagliero, Pompili, Granito, Dico, Delay, Vannutelli.

MEXICO REBEL PLOT FOILED, 7 CAPTURED

Widespread Assassination Conspiracy Revealed; Chihuahua Officials Slated for Death

Government Agents, Posing as Revolutionists, Disclose Plan; 5 Civilians, 2 Army Men Jailed

EL PASO (Tex.), Feb. 12.—What Mexican officials believe to be a widespread assassination plot has been frustrated by the arrest in Chihuahua City of five civilians and two army officers, according to the official report of the affair, received in Juarez today.

The report said that the intended victims of the plot were Governor Egnacio Enriquez of Chihuahua, General Eugenio Martinez, commander of the northern military zone; General Juan Andrew Almanzan, chief of operations in Chihuahua, and General Alfredo Quijo, commander of the Chihuahua garrison.

Government agents, posing as revolutionists, are given credit for disclosing the plot, which, officials claim, was part of a plan to inaugurate a revolt throughout Mexico.

BAND SCATTERED. The revolutionary band which crossed from Texas last Wednesday and engaged the federal forces in battle at Samalayuca, 30 miles below the border, appears to have been scattered. General Juan Morico, one of the alleged leaders of the revolt, and two of his followers were taken into custody today at Fabens, Texas, 20 miles east of El Paso, shortly after they had crossed from Mexico. They were brought to El Paso and lodged in jail pending the filing of complaints against them by department of justice agents.

General J. J. Mendez, commander of the Juarez garrison, who interviewed Morico, said the latter declared he had crossed to the United States only when he realized the rebellious movement had failed.

EACH AN OFFICER. According to the reports of the Mexican federal authorities every member of the band of twenty-five who entered Mexico Wednesday was an officer, their plan being to separate and recruit forces among the inhabitants of the mountain country of Western Chihuahua.

Mother of Senator McCormick Improves

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—(By Universal Service.)—The condition of Mrs. Robert S. McCormick, mother of Senator Medill McCormick of Illinois, whose illness was recently so serious as to necessitate the cancelling of several speaking engagements of Senator McCormick, was said tonight to be much improved.

Indian Rail Strike Takes Serious Turn

LONDON, Feb. 12.—A dispatch to the "Times" from Allahabad, British India, says the railway strike there is assuming most serious proportions. An armored train left there Sunday to investigate trouble reported along the line.

Britain to Give Aid To Austrian Finance

PARIS, Feb. 12.—A Vienna official statement, according to a dispatch to the Havas agency, says that the British minister has informed Austria that Great Britain will grant an advance credit of 2,000,000 pounds sterling.

Baklanoff Will Not Be Deported

CHICAGO, Feb. 12.—Deportation proceedings against Georges Baklanoff, Russian baritone singer with the Chicago Opera Company, have been dropped, word having been sent to New York to that effect.

Sun Spotted Like Measles 50,000 Miles

MIAMI (Fla.), Feb. 12.—Discovery of a large outbreak of spots near the center of the sun, covering a territory at least 50,000 miles across, was reported tonight by Dr. David Todd, former director of the Amherst Observatory, who maintains an observatory at his winter home here. The appearance of the sun spots, he said, was sudden and unexpected, as the sun's disk was perfectly smooth and quiescent Saturday. It is very likely, he declared, that brilliant displays of the aurora borealis will be seen in the north and that telegraph and other electrical instruments will be disturbed, as they usually are when the spots first become visible.

BLONDES NEW MODE IN PARIS

PARIS, Feb. 12.—(Special cable dispatch to Universal Service.)—For the first time in ten years three beautiful blondes were tonight elected queens of the carnival to be held in mid-Lent.

The announcement was hailed with great joy by prominent dress-makers, who declare the election foretells a new wave of peroxide popularity and definitely dooms the sombre colors which have been the rule during the long reign of the brunettes.

Simultaneously the "fluff fluff" type of coiffure disappeared from fashion with hobbled hair. Society's campaign against shorn locks was demonstrated by the reception given by the Comtesse d'Aurieu in her magnificent home at Neuilly, when invitations warned "short haired ladies" to wear wigs.

According to the edict of Princess Edmond De Polignac, nee Singer, "bobbed hair is positively indecent anywhere off the stage."

Women who have proudly flaunted expensive "permanent waves" in the face of society have been thrown into the depths of despair by the dictates of fashion, which decrees only two types of coiffure—"la belle Ferroniere," with hair parted in the center and pulled tightly back, bordering the eyebrows and sweeping in a final grand curve to the base of the neck. There it is fixed in a tight knot surmounted by a tortoise shell comb, while a huge emerald shawl in a black band is drawn across the center of the knot, Peruvian fashion.

The hair is also drawn back so as to expose the ears.

Girl Gets \$60,000 If She Doesn't Wed

CHICAGO, Feb. 12.—(By Universal Service.)—Miss Eleanor K. Berlin, pretty music student of Worcester, Mass., is in Chicago tonight trying to decide whether she will give up her freedom to marry for \$60,000.

Miss Berlin was engaged to Charles A. Hamilton. He died recently and his will provided Miss Berlin should inherit his estate of \$60,000 provided she would never marry and would come to Chicago and make her home with his mother.

"One can never tell what she might want to do, and would like to think she would be free to do what she wished," Miss Berlin said. The money, the girl said, would mean a great deal to her. She has been working in a real estate office while studying music.

5 Children Die as Raft Capsizes

CALEXICO, Feb. 12.—Five children were drowned at Stevens Beach near here late this afternoon when a raft which they had boarded suddenly capsized. Four of the bodies have been recovered.

VALERA OPENS FIGHT AGAINST IRISH RULERS

At Great Mass Meeting Former President Denounces Treaty as Void, Approval as Illegal

Denies British Sovereignty and Condemns Partition of Erin; Is Given Warm Reception

BELFAST, Feb. 12.—The bodies of two men shot to death were found late tonight in the Millfield district of Belfast. Firing was in progress there early in the evening.

CORK, Feb. 12.—The strike of the railway men, who on Friday seized the various railway stations, ended today. After a stormy prolonged meeting Saturday night, a majority decision was obtained on a vote on the question of resuming work on the terms agreed upon at the recent Dublin conference.

DUBLIN, Feb. 12.—(By the Associated Press.)—Eamonn De Valera today opened the campaign against the provisional government with a great demonstration held in O'Connell street. Three large platforms had been placed for the speakers, and each was surrounded by large crowds. Members of the Republican and Metropolitan police regulated the gathering. All traffic in O'Connell street was suspended for an hour by order of the Republican Chief of Police.

About one thousand Republican soldiers paraded prior to the meeting. De Valera was accorded a great reception. Six resolutions proposed during the meeting affirmed that the Irish nation was one and indivisible; that all state authority in Ireland is derived solely from the Irish people; that the British crown is an alien crown, and that Ireland is no part of the British Empire.

DURESS CHARGED. The resolutions further declared that the articles of the London agreement failed to represent the true desires of the Irish people; that the treaty was obtained under duress, and that the Dail Eireann is not competent to give it legal sanction, and therefore it is null and void.

They added that to force upon Ireland an election involving recognition of partition before the Dail Eireann has expressed its sanction is unconstitutional. An additional resolution called upon the people for support of the dependents of prisoners.

De Valera in his speech said it was a lie that the Irish people would by a majority accept the treaty. He added that, although the meeting had been advertised for only three days, thousands of persons had assembled in support of the republic proclaimed during "Easter week," and which was ratified at the Irish elections.

The London agreement was not a treaty, but an instrument which every line denied Irish sovereignty. It was signed, he said, under duress and was no more binding than the infamous Act of Union.

BOUND TO KING. De Valera said the articles of the agreement bound the Irish people to recognize their republic for a monarchy. He asked if the people wanted as their monarch "King George of England?" to which there were replies of "No, no."

The king would be embodied in the Irish constitution and be really the authority of Premier Lloyd George and his cabinet. The foreign monarch's forces could hold the principal forts and have air facilities; and when Great Britain was at war, which was practically always, the British government could take over the harbors and

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Booze Imports Gain \$1,500,000 In Past Year

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—Liquor imports during the past year increased by nearly \$1,500,000, as compared with 1920 while shipment of soft drinks into the country fell off by more than \$200,000, during the same period, according to foreign trade reports made public tonight by the commerce department.

During 1921 the total of spirits, wines and malt liquors imported aggregated \$4,711,000 compared with \$3,269,000 in 1920, while mineral waters and other beverages entering the country amounted to \$347,000 as against \$569,000 in 1920.

NUPTIAL PLANS OF MARY TOLD

By FORBES W. FAIRBAIN, Staff Correspondent of the Universal Service. LONDON, Feb. 12.—(Special cable dispatch.)—Princess Mary will drive to the Abbey on her wedding day in the famous blue coronation coach built in 1873 at a cost of \$28,305.

The ancient coach, which has not been used since the coronation of King George, will be drawn by eight bay horses. The household cavalry, flanking either side of the coach, will escort the princess.

A double line of territorial, bands and pipers will mark the route to be taken to the abbey. The coach will be driven between the two lines.

A guard of honor will be stationed in the vicinity of Westminster Abbey. This will be composed of the Grenadier Guards and the Royal Scots Guards, of which Princess Mary is commander in chief.

As the wedding procession appears the troops will present arms and the bands will play the national anthem.

It is learned that the members of the British cabinet are arranging to make a combined wedding gift to the princess of three superb silver and gold dishes of exotic design.

Deputations have arrived hourly at Buckingham Palace bearing presents from all of the British provinces, while the princess has received between three and four thousand letters each day wishing her happiness.

For the first time in history, it is announced, a number of prominent labor leaders have received invitations to attend the wedding.

A few have accepted but the majority are debating due to the expenditure necessary for proper costumes for the occasion.

U. S. to Save Money On Booze Storage

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—Vacant government-owned buildings throughout the country will become monster cellarettes under plans being worked out by the budget bureau.

According to a report from director of the budget Dawes to President Harding, arrangements have been practically completed whereby intoxicating liquors seized under the national prohibition act, will be stored in vacant army and shipping board buildings at an estimated annual saving in rentals of about \$170,000.

Italy Crisis Delays Reparations Meet

PARIS, Feb. 12.—(Special cable dispatch to Universal Service.)—The crisis in the Italian Cabinet situation has caused the postponement of the meeting of allied finance ministers to discuss reparations. The meeting will not be held until the new government at Rome is organized.

'HAVE GOODS ON HIM,' HELD SANDS' BOAST

Report Made to Police That Ex-Valet of Slain Director Visited His Sweetheart at L. A.

Detective Captain Says That Arrest of Person Not Previously Mentioned Can Be Expected

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 12.—Coming fast on the heels of new and important developments in the William Desmond Taylor murder mystery during the day, District Attorney Thomas Lee Woolwine late tonight left his office in his motor car and in company with former Chief of Police Charles A. Jones and Ben Smith, court reporter, started on a quest shrouded in mystery, but which was regarded as having a vital bearing on the case.

The District Attorney's trip apparently resulted after a conference at his home, in which a woman and two men figured.

The woman was seen to leave Woolwine's office after an extended visit while the District Attorney and Jones were there. She drove away alone, but was observed a short time later in her car with a male companion. They drove by Woolwine's house and then disappeared.

But whatever transpired during the conference electrified the prosecutor and his aides into instant action. Woolwine and Jones hurried to the Hall of Records in a taxicab, where they picked up Smith, the court reporter.

Then in the prosecutor's car the three left on their mysterious mission.

It was understood that the Woolwine party intended to go to the home of a mutual friend of the District Attorney and a film actress of note, where the actress would be questioned by Woolwine and Jones, with Smith taking the testimony in shorthand.

Soon before the woman's visit to Woolwine's home, important information concerning a woman whom Edward F. Sands is alleged to have visited frequently was turned over to the authorities this evening by Harold Freeman, who formerly delivered milk at the Taylor home.

According to Freeman, Sands was in the habit of driving Taylor's car to this woman's house at least once a day during the latter's absence in Europe. This address is being withheld at the request of officers who are investigating the case.

Freeman, who met Sands every morning for several months, also declared that he saw the fugitive ex-servant shortly after Christmas in front of a local theater. Freeman and his wife were standing in front of the theater early in the evening when Sands passed.

That Sands declared he "had something on Taylor" was the statement of Freeman. On several occasions when Freeman remarked how well Taylor treated him, Sands replied: "Well, he has to treat me right, for I certainly have the goods on him."

Other information turned over to the officers was the startling statement that Henry Peavey, the colored servant of Taylor, expected to see his employer killed. Shortly after the robbery of Taylor's residence Peavey informed Freeman that he had expected to find Taylor dead the morning of the robbery and would not be surprised if he was later killed.

Whether or not this description was merely a strange mixture of negro superstition and extraordinary clairvoyance or whether

Today

The Two Shift Man.
31 Millions. Please.
Wise Men in Europe.
Foolish Discussing.
By Arthur Brisbane

Mr. Edison, telling of his birth-
day, says he "feels well." A "two
shift" man always feels well, says
he, meaning that if you work hard
enough you are always happy.
That depends, dear young 75-
year-old genius, on HOW you
work.
Working as Edison does, because
he likes to work, because he is
working for himself, carrying out
his own ideas, is one thing.
Working because you are driven
to it, doing a "double shift" because
your employer knows how to get it
out of you, working against the
grain without interest, at unat-
tractive work—that's another
thing.
There will be plenty of Edisons
in the world when human intelli-
gence makes labor attractive for
the great mass of workers.
New conditions make it repul-
sive. And the "two shift man" is
not to be envied.
The New Haven Railroad wants
Government kindly to lend it a
trifle over thirty-one million dol-
lars.
The road wants to pay off
twenty-six millions borrowed in
Europe and needs a little extra.
That's interesting to the widows
and orphans that bought New
Haven stock for two hundred dol-
lars a share and up, then saw the
road gutted and mismanaged. It
is interesting to those who observe
that, while the Government is not
good enough to own and manage
railroads, it is quite good enough
to supply incompetent manage-
ment with millions when it needs
them.
The soldier, by the way, will
want to know whether the Gov-
ernment which has no money for
his bonus has thirty-one million
dollars to hand to a badly man-
aged railroad. That railroad never
crossed the ocean, never lost its
job.
Half of all the gold of all the
nations is now in the United
States. Last month our exports
fell off fifteen millions. Business
is bad. And the center of finan-
cial control is said to have re-
turned to London. They seem to
know some things over there that
we do not know.
In one church on Sunday the
Reverend Dr. Stratton argued with
the not reverent William A.
Brady as to the morals of moving
picture and stage people. Foolish
discussion. There are some im-
mortal actors and actresses. There
are even some immortal clergymen,
and some have gone to jail. But
nobody with any sense denounces
the stage, or that great modern
educating force, the moving pic-
ture, because some actors or
managers are fools. Nobody cer-
tainly would denounce the church
because here and there a clergy-
man had committed a crime or
been convicted of breaking up
somebody else's family. An in-
stitution is one thing, the individ-
ual another.
In another church last Sunday
—these are days of open minds—
there was a service of the Zoro-
astrian creed. A Parsee priest
went through the services of his
faith, with the regular clergyman,
an Episcopalian, looking on, as-
sisting and encouraging. The
worshippers adored the sacred fire.
It was interesting, old and quaint.
If Zoroaster could have come
back to that Episcopal church,
through four or five thousand
years of time—nobody knows ex-
actly when he did live—he would
have been surprised to see what
the Parsees have made of his re-
ligion. As for Ormuzd, he would
not have recognized it.
In Yucatan the Legislature is
considering a bill to reduce the
number of Catholic priests in the
whole country to six. Probably
the Yucatan Legislature, hostile to
religion, feels that it is exercising
great power. But across the ocean

NO JEALOUS RIVAL, SAYS MABEL NORMAND

SISTER OF CHICAGO 'PONZI' HUNTED IN S. F.;
GIRLS, CHILDREN VICTIMS OF IRISH BOMBING

BOY WIZARD'S
KIN SOUGHT
AS WITNESS

Mrs. E. G. Geer and Friend De-
part From Palace Without
Leaving Forwarding Address

Extra Police Called in Chicago
to Control Crowd Shouting
Threats Against Speculator

Search for Mrs. E. G. Geer, sister
of Raymond Bischoff, Chicago boy
Ponzi, alleged to be short \$150,000
in his accounts, turned to the
bay region yesterday when it was
discovered that she and a Mrs. Una
O'Reilly of Seattle were registered
at the Palace Hotel from February
6 to 9.
Mrs. Geer is wanted as a witness
to explain any knowledge she may
have about the disappearance of
half a million dollars worth of Lib-
erty Bonds entrusted to Bischoff by
customers for speculation. No
trace of the bonds has been found
among his assets, Chicago police
say.
Both women left the hotel with-
out leaving a forwarding address.
Considerable mail which has ac-
cumulated might indicate that Mrs.
Geer is somewhere in the bay dis-
trict, it is said.
Described as attractively dressed
and of youthful appearance, the
pair registered at the hotel with
nothing but light baggage, arriving
early in the afternoon, presumably
on the train from the East which
arrives about that time. Both oc-
cupied the same room.
Renewed interest was given the
search when it was found that
Bischoff may reach \$1,000,000.
Thousands of families in the
stockyard district of Chi-
cago are said to have invested most
of their savings in his concern.

Prince Pinned
Under Pony at
Polo Meeting

LONDON, Feb. 13.—The
Prince of Wales narrowly
escaped injury at
Gwalior, central India, last
Saturday, when his polo pony
reared and fell backwards,
says a dispatch to the London
"Times" today from its cor-
respondent who is with the
Prince on his Indian tour.
The Prince was knocking
the ball about the polo
grounds, riding a pony which
objected to approaching a
dead ball. The pony reared
and fell, but the Prince was
able to slip from under his
mount and was only slightly
shaken.
That same afternoon he
rode in four races, finishing,
respectively, third, fourth and
unplaced.

GIRLS' SMOKING
IS UNPOPULAR

Denial was lost night made by
Miss Olive Presler, president of the
Associated Women Students of the
University of California, that smok-
ing among women students in West-
ern universities and colleges had
passed the stage of a passing fad
and had become a fixed and alarm-
ingly growing habit, as indicated by
press dispatches from university
centers in the Middle Western
States.
Speaking from personal acquaint-
ance with thousands of women stu-
dents at the University of California,
Miss Presler declared that the per-
centage of women students who
smoke is so small as to be practi-
cally negligible. To be specific, she
said, it was far under one per cent.
Smoking, she said, was not al-
lowed in the sororities or women's
house clubs and there was a code of
honor among co-eds against smok-
ing.

Crowd Storms Office
As Boy Explains

CHICAGO, Feb. 13.—While Ray-
mond Bischoff, "boy speculator,"
was explaining to Judge Kenesaw
M. Landis what had become of ap-
proximately \$1,000,000 entrusted to
him by thousands of families in
Chicago's stockyard district, sev-
eral hundred persons today stormed
his office searching for the man
whom they declared had brought
them financial ruin.
Extra police were called to con-
trol the crowd, which shouted
threats against the 25-year-old
broker, and it was only when as-
sured that Bischoff was behind jail
bars that it dispersed.
"He's making us starve," "He
ruined us; let us at him" and other
imprecations filled the air for near-
ly an hour.
PLAYED LONE HAND.
While Bischoff, who admitted he
was short \$4,500,000, insisted he had
played a lone hand in his specula-
tions, search was begun for his sis-
ter, who was believed to be on or en
route to the Pacific coast.
The police desire to question her
concerning \$500,000 worth of Lib-
erty bonds entrusted to Bischoff by
customers wishing to speculate in
oil securities. No trace of the bonds
has been found.
Bischoff's blind stepfather, F. O.
Davis, and his cousin, E. F. Geer,
were others spoken of by authori-
ties in seeking the bottom of the
youth's tangled finances. They were
questioned by Judge Landis today.
Smiling and without visible em-
barassment Bischoff told Judge
Landis the story of his financial
ventures, maintaining throughout
his innocence of any intentional
wrongdoing.
In reply to questions from his
receivers' attorney, he said:
"I have always loved to take a
chance. While employed at a
local packing concern I dabbled
in the stock market. Then, just
at a time when I was about
\$10,000 to the good, a friend
asked me to raise money to pay

SALES TAX TO
AID SOLDIERS
GETS BACKING

New Jersey Senator Urges
That Rich and Poor Alike
Be Allowed to Pay Proportion

Would Have Plan Placed on
Statute Books as Means of
Obtaining All U. S. Revenue

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—The
soldier bonus question was dis-
cussed today, both in the Senate
and House.
Senator Edge, Republican, New
Jersey, in a formal statement de-
clared that while he had not yet
taken a final position on the bonus
legislation, "if the billions necessary
to pay the proposed bonus are to be
raised through further taxation
upon business and industrial enter-
prise, then I am against it, and in
my judgment we are simply put-
ting off just that much longer a
resumption of industrial and busi-
ness activity necessary to lessen
present unemployment."
"If Congress would adopt as the
method of raising revenue," he
added, "a general sales tax so that
everybody, rich and poor, according
to their expenditures, would thus
pay their proportion, and equally
as important, the policy of the sales
tax would thus be placed on the
statute books so that it could be
used for obtaining necessary gov-
ernmental revenue in the future
and permit Congress to cut down
the high surtaxes and business
taxes already paralyzing justifi-
cation for passing the bonus bill."
Senator Borah, Republican, Idaho,
declared that the demands for a
bonus for former service men who
were not impaired physically or
mentally as result of their war
service might embarrass the Gov-
ernment in taking care of wounded
and disabled.
The Idaho senator declared that
\$75,000,000 was a conservative
estimate of what it would cost the
Government to care for all disabled
men before they would be discharg-
ed. He said that in his judgment it
would be a matter of only ten years
before Congress would be appropri-
ating a billion and a half dollars
annually for the necessities of dis-
abled men.

ITALIAN FORCES
LOSE TO ARABS

LONDON, Feb. 13.—(By the As-
sociated Press.)—Italian forces
fighting rebels at Misurata, Tripoli,
have lost 25 killed and about 100
wounded, says a Central News dis-
patch from Rome today.
Another dispatch quotes a semi-
official statement as saying the
enemy losses were very heavy. The
Italians lost one officer, two sol-
diers and fourteen colonials killed.
This dispatch adds that the Arabs
attempted to tamper with the rail-
way line between Tripoli, Azizia and
Misurata.

Balfour's Return
Signally Honored

LONDON, Feb. 13.—(By Uni-
versal Service.)—(Special cable dis-
patch.) Premier Lloyd George
plans to go personally to meet
Arthur Balfour on his return from
Washington tomorrow in order to
show the Premier's appreciation of
his work at the conference.
Balfour expects to report his
Washington experience in the House
of Commons Thursday or Friday.
He will be guest of the government
at luncheon Thursday and of the
Pilgrims' Society next Monday.

Orphans Strike When
Refused Prayerbooks

RIGA, Feb. 13.—A new type of
strike has been inaugurated—this
time by children. The Jewish chil-
dren in the home for pogrom orphans
at Rezhitsa, in the Kovno district,
made a demand for prayer books.
They wanted to pray but had no
books and as these were denied them
they started a unique strike, refus-
ing absolutely to go to sleep.
The strike ended with a complete
victory for the strikers, the superin-
tendent of the home distributing
prayer books the following day.

6,000 Autos Stolen in
N. Y. During 1921

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—Twenty
residents of Greater New York lose
their motor cars by thefts a day,
police officials announced today on
the basis of 6,000 automobiles thefts
last year.

Croats Try to Seize
Fiume, Repulsed

LONDON, Feb. 13.—Croat troops
tried to capture the city of Fiume
at midnight last night, but were re-
pulsed, says a Central News dis-
patch from Rome today.
When you think of writing, think
of WHITING.—Adv.

Griffith Replies to
De Valera's Speech

DUBLIN, Feb. 13.—Arthur Griffith,
president of the Dail Eireann
in a statement tonight, replying to
various assertions in Eamonn De
Valera's speech of Sunday, declares
that with respect to partition De
Valera himself gave an understand-
ing not to coerce Ulster, and that
the arrangement in the treaty was
the only one that could be made
without coercion. De Valera
was in full possession of it before
the signing of the treaty, Griffith
adds, and made no objection.

Brother of Late
S.F. Archbishop Dies

CHICAGO, Feb. 13.—Monsignor
Daniel J. Riordan, 75, brother of the
late Archbishop Riordan of San
Francisco, and confessor of the Chi-
cago archdiocese of the Roman Cath-
olic church, died here late tonight
after a pastorate of St. Elizabeth's
church here.

German Line Starts
First Post-War Ship

BREMEN, Feb. 13.—The North
German Lloyd yesterday resumed
its sailings for New York, inter-
rupted by the war, the steamship
Seidylitz departing with 125 pas-
sengers and a mixed cargo. The
company will supplement the
United States Line service with
semi-monthly sailings of its own
steamers.

34 Aboard Ship Hurt
In Stormy Voyage

CORUNNA (Spain), Feb. 13.—
The Spanish liner Alfonso XII,
which sailed from Havana January
20 and New York January 27, has
arrived here after a terrific pas-
sage. Thirty-four of the passen-
gers and members of the crew are
suffering from injuries.
At one time during the voyage
the captain was compelled to put
his ship about and later pour oil
upon the waters. The anchor was
loose, threatening serious
damage, but two seventeen year old
volunteers succeeded in securing the
chains.
I am sure Mr. Taylor had no
enemies of whom he was aware.
He was a man of such open habits,
such a sincere and honest man,
that he could never have wrought
an injustice that could animate
such a terrible vindictive act.
That he saw a third man in front
of William D. Taylor's house on the
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than Henry Peavey, the film di-
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Denby Asks 350
Millions to Run
Navy; Would Cut
Personnel 10,000

Secretary Encounters Edge of
Impending Fight to "Scrap"
Ratio Fixed by Arms Parley

WASHINGTON, Feb. 13.—Secre-
tary Denby, in asking Congress to-
day for an appropriation of \$350-
000,000 for the navy next year, ran
into the edge of a threatened fight
by advocates of government econ-
omy to "scrap" the naval establish-
ment ratio figure arranged by the
arms conference.
In a frank and detailed statement
as to what the Navy Department
hoped to accomplish, Denby told
the House Naval Committee that
his estimate called for a reduction
of 10,000 in enlisted personnel,
which was made possible only by
putting about 100 destroyers out of
commission and by sharp cuts in
shore station forces. Chairman
Butler indicated that the figures
named by the secretary, compared
with an appropriation of \$412,000-
000 for the present fiscal year, was
high, in view of reductions author-
ized by the conference.
CUT TOO DRASTIC.
It was brought out in the discus-
sion that some members of Con-
gress have been urging a naval ap-
propriation bill carrying no more
than \$175,000,000 or \$200,000,000,
but Denby agreed, with the view ex-
pressed by members of the commit-
tee that such a reduction would put
the United States actually below
Great Britain and Japan, while
leaving the tonnage ratio at 5-5-3,
as agreed to by the conference.
Believing that with a smaller
fighting force the navy should be
kept "on its toes" leaders stand-
ing behind Secretary Denby's esti-
mate declared that to limit the ap-
propriation under \$200,000,000
would mean for the United States
a navy really smaller than that of
Japan.
Denby told the committee the
navy today was undermanned and
that, while he had been giving the
question close study, it was only
yesterday the idea occurred to him
that he could recommend an en-
listed strength of 90,000, or 10,000
below the authorized mark, by put-
ting 100 destroyers out of com-
mission. He stood firm on his es-
timate, members of the committee
declaring afterward that they were
inclined to accept it.

LETTERS ONLY
CHILD-PLAY;
CLAIMS STAR

Saw Stranger Talk to Taylor
Valet and Normand Chauffeur
on Death Night, Says Witness

'We'll Leave No Stone Unturned
to Run Down Slayer of
Director,' Avers Adolph Zukor

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 13.—Mabel
Normand says she has the much-
discussed letters written by her to
William Desmond Taylor.
They were returned to her today
by the District Attorney's office and
are, she says, of such childish, in-
nocent tone that any value they
might have either as a sensational
feature in the development of this
case or in any other way as indi-
cations of any high emotional na-
ture is absolutely nil. She added:
"For myself I had no one who
could possibly have been interest-
ed enough in me to do such a
thing. I had no jealous sweet-
hearts. My acquaintance among
the men and women of Los Ange-
les was large, but I had never en-
couraged any one to believe that
he was first in my heart and I
had only good friends, but no one
could possibly construe my great
and beautiful friendship for Mr.
Taylor as anything but a most
beneficial interest in my life."
HE SPURRED AMBITION.
My letters were all so childish
and so simple they could have
meant nothing but perhaps a
moment's cheer to so wonderful
a man as Mr. Taylor. He spurred
up my ambition and made me
study. He wasn't like younger
men who always wanted me to
go somewhere to dance and dine.
He liked to sit at home and talk
about books.
He helped me so much with my
reading and study, and encour-
aged me to think that some time
I might accomplish something
along that line.
How can people say such terri-
ble things about him? How can
those very folk with whom he
was associated, the men and
women he helped, either with ad-
vice or friendliness, think for a
moment that any of these unkind
things are true?
It is impossible for me to con-
sider it, and I think instead of
passing resolutions, his friends,
every one of them, should form a
huge fund and offer a tremendous
reward for the capture of the man
who killed him. Every one who
could, should contribute, even if
it is only five dollars, or one dol-
lar, and many of his associates
could easily give a thousand dol-
lars, and would, I believe, be glad
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Today

Remember the Maine.
Automobile News.
Our Pretty Civilization.
Fools and Flattery.

By Arthur Brisbane

Twenty-four years ago yesterday there was an explosion in the harbor of Havana. Do you still "remember the Maine?" We were all excited then, went into war and out again swiftly and rather economically. Quite a difference in the cost of that war, which was our own war, and the last war, forced on us.

To millions of men in this country it comes with a shock to hear that that "remember the Maine" was first shouted twenty-four years ago. It seems like yesterday, flying time reminds us that if we ever mean to do anything, we ought to hurry. Next stop will be the cemetery.

Every piece of good news for a big institution is good news for all of the United States. The Dodge Automobile Company will presently finish building its Dodge car No. 700,000. This shows that the United States still offers opportunity. It is only a few years since the Dodge Brothers opened a machine shop in Detroit with \$1,200 in cash and a little machinery. To jump from that to manufacturing a thousand million dollars' worth of automobiles in less than a quarter the length of an ordinary life time is something worth talking about.

The other piece of automobile news is the presence of Henry Ford, supposed to be on a shopping trip, yesterday in Marysville, Mich., where the Wills St. Claire car is manufactured.

Detroit is a lucky city. Good news, increased prosperity in any part of the United States must mean good news for Detroit. For an automobile is the important part of real life. As soon as prosperity develops anywhere demand for new cars also comes.

Here is a pretty picture of civilization, after 1,900 years of Christianity. Chicago has in jail a young man named Harvey Church and means to hang that young man tomorrow. Church has been trying to starve himself to death to cheat the gallows. "Magnificent civilization" has been feeding him by force that he might live to be choked to death. Nothing quite like it since the boy slapped his little sister for killing a blue bottle fly. He wanted to kill himself. Yesterday the man to be choked bit the doctor that was feeding him by force. The miserable creature will probably be carried to the gallows and hanged, strapped in a chair, as he will be too weak to walk or stand.

What would you think about all that if the news came from the jungles of the Congo?

How have women influenced men and made fools of them—worse fools than they were naturally. We are, indeed, "as God made us, and sometimes a good deal worse," as Sancho Panza put it.

Consider Mr. Taylor, middle aged, rather worn out person, showing young ladies how to "register" various emotions before the camera. You'd think youth would chase him as second hand and pass him by.

But a charming, beautiful young creature in her teens writes to him in school girl code and begins her letter "What shall I call you? You wonderful man." The wonderful man, poor goose, looks at himself in the glass, doesn't see the wrinkles or the crow's feet pointing toward the grave. The next thing he knows he is shot—perhaps by another man as foolish as himself. Men make flatterers of women, then the flattery makes fools of the men.

Wall street news—"The New Haven issues were a feature, expressing confidence in the success of the railroad's application for a Government loan to pay its European debts."

If the Republicans want to make absolutely sure of a Democratic Congress next fall, let them find thirty-one million to pay the foreign debts of a mismanaged railroad, just as they discover that they have not any money for a soldiers' bonus. They'll hear from that next fall.

Lawyers in Kalamazoo are asked by the Young Men's Christian Association "to urge the needs of Y whenever they are drawing wills for rich clients."

Kalamazoo lawyers probably

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FRENCH PEACE PACT WITH SOVIET BARED ULSTER RIOTERS BAYONETTED BY TROOPS; NATION TURNS TO SALES TAX TO PAY BONUS

SOLDIER AID PLAN MEETS WITH FAVOR

Wave of Sentiment for the Safe and Sane Proposal Sweeps Houses of Congress

Caucus Monday Night Will Consider Immediate Step to Place Proposition Before Solons

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—(By Universal Service).—A wave of sentiment in favor of the sales tax for the soldiers' bonus swept over Congress today as the result of the action of President Harding yesterday in opening the doors to its adoption.

While the Senate Finance Committee and the House Ways and Means Committee marked time pending direct word from the President as to his views, advocates of the sales tax met a hearty response when they urged a small turnover tax as the best way out of bonus difficulty.

Members of Congress who went to Canada recently as the guests of William Randolph Hearst to study the sales tax as it operates in that country, met in informal conference and made plans for formally laying a definite sales tax plan before the House.

The Republican members of the House will meet in party caucus next Monday night. It was decided by the Canadian sales tax delegation that a resolution expressing the demand of the Republican majority that a levy of half of 1 per cent be imposed on all sales to wholesalers, jobbers and retailers to pay the cost of the bonus will be offered.

SALES TAX CHAMPIONED.

The Republican members of the Senate Finance Committee and the House Ways and Means Committee met early today to receive the expected letter from the President, which they had been awaiting since the Cabinet meeting yesterday. The letter was not received, however, and the entire bonus problem came in for general discussion.

The sales tax was strongly urged by Senators Smoot, of Utah; Watson, of Indiana, and Calder of New York, and Representative Fordney of Michigan, and Representative Bacharach of New Jersey.

These influential Congressmen argued to their colleagues that the sales tax could not be objected to in connection with the bonus, because it would be so small that it would not be felt by the consumer. The tax would be absorbed, they declared.

The fact that President Harding has never opposed the sales tax as a method of raising the necessary bonus revenue was emphasized by its advocates. Discussions on the floor of the Senate and House during the day were to the effect that the President would approve the bonus measure if it carried the sales tax.

Harding STAND UNKNOWN.

No intimation reached Congress during the day from the White House as to whether the President will directly advocate the sales tax in his communication on the bonus question.

Republican House Leader Mondell and Chairman Fordney of the ways and means committee went to the White House and discussed the bonus tangle with the President for more than an hour. Upon their return to the Capitol they admitted they had talked about the sales tax, but were reticent about disclosing the President's position.

Suggestions made by Mondell and other powerful leaders at the Capitol that further savings be made in government expenditures and that this money be diverted through a provision in the bonus bill to the payment of the cash compensation

WANTS REWARD OF ART



Ruth St. Denis, famed danseuse, who has sued Mrs. George A. McGowan (inset), "patron saint of struggling artists," for \$500, alleged due her for dance performance.

MRS. MCGOWAN SUED FOR \$500

With Ruth St. Denis, danseuse, administering stimulants, the jinx which pursued those who dabble in art, showed signs of reviving yesterday.

The Witch of Trouble was supposed to have been completely destroyed in a unique ceremony staged last May by artists and intellectuals of this city at the Broadway home of Mrs. George A. McGowan.

But out of the ashes, helped by Miss St. Denis, the jinx arose yesterday in all its old-time vigor to pursue, not the struggling artist, but the art patrons.

It took the form of a complaint which Attorney Frank W. Aitken promises to file in the Superior Court today for Miss St. Denis, charging, he says, that while the World Arts Fraternity were willing to add the struggling genius, they were not so ready to pay cash to artists who have already arrived.

They engaged Miss St. Denis, he declares, to come to this city and dance at a function given by the World Arts Fraternity to encourage budding art genius.

In spite of the fact that they signed a contract to pay all of her expenses and \$500 for the single performance, they have failed to pay her the \$500 he avers.

Replying, Mrs. McGowan, admits the club signed a contract with Miss St. Denis, but she said, under circumstances which excuse any delay in payment.

L. A. BOYS DIE IN SNOWDRIFT

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 15.—Members of a searching party returned here today and told of finding in the snow drifts in the mountains between Mt. Lowe and Mt. Wilson, twenty miles north of here, the bodies of Wilbur P. Lane and Ben Mustain, Los Angeles high school boys, reported lost more than two weeks ago.

The boys had started for a ranch, but were caught in the snow.

At one time the boys thought they had escaped the perils of the storm, as shown by a note the searchers found in a mountain cabin: It read:

"January 30, '22. To the owner of this wonderful cabin:

"Here let us state that we escaped our fate by finding this cabin after wandering all day in a terrible snowstorm. We were trying to get from Lewis ranch to Pine Flats, but they were not so ready to pay cash to artists who have already arrived.

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STEEL USED IN BELFAST WHEN BULLETS FAIL

Troops Charge Street Rioters; 35 Killed Since Saturday Night; Casualties Pass 100

Policeman Slain and Left in Road; Man Tortured Before Being Shot; Homes Fired On

LONDON, Feb. 15.—(By the Associated Press).—Receipt of the following cablegram from the United States was announced today by Michael Collins, head of the Irish provisional government:

"Eighty-five per cent of the membership of the American Association for Recognition of the Irish Republic is firmly behind yourself and Griffith."

BELFAST, Feb. 15.—(By the Associated Press).—Arrangements for the evacuation of the British troops from southern Ireland were resumed today after a suspension lasting two days. At Dublin preparations were making for the embarkation of 400 men.

DUBLIN, Feb. 15.—(By the Associated Press).—Eleven of the kidnapped Ulster Unionists were released tonight, seven were released last night and eight this morning, it was announced here this evening.

By FORBES W. FAIRBAIRN, Staff Correspondent of the Universal Service.

BELFAST, Feb. 15, 11:30 p. m.—(Special Cable to Universal Service).—Four more deaths occurred tonight, bringing the total up to thirty-five dead and more than seventy wounded.

James Wilson, a leading undertaker, was excused from Grand Jury duty today, giving as his excuse the "pressure of business."

The Ulster cabinet will meet tomorrow to discuss the continued disturbances and disorder.

BELFAST, Feb. 15.—(By the Associated Press).—After a period of quiet lasting several hours disorders again broke out in this city at 3 o'clock today in the Stanhope area, near the Victoria barracks. The military promptly opened fire.

This afternoon raiders entered the office of the New Northern Spinning Company on the Falls Road and shot and killed William Duffin, the assistant manager, and wounded a clerk.

When the firing of the military failed to disperse the hostile crowd, the troops were ordered to charge with bayonets. One civilian was wounded.

Up to 5 p. m. the total casualties since Saturday night had reached an even hundred, including thirty killed.

One constable of the "B" special class was found dead in a street this afternoon. One raider was shot while attempting to escape from the roof of a public house.

James Morrison, aged 20, who was shot by the police yesterday after an attack on workmen repairing a tram car died today. William Law, 20, also died from wounds received during the disorders.

The report of the death of James Rice, whose body was found last night, says that an armed gang bound his hands behind his back, pulled his coat over his head, tied a scarf over his eyes, kicked and beat him and then ended his sufferings with bullets.

Shots were fired into several private houses, Maggie Teggart was wounded in the lung. Patrick Bradley, an income tax collector, was wounded in the stomach by shots

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NEGOTIATIONS HELD BLOW TO GERMANY

Russia, by Terms of Treaty, May Transfer to France Right to Obtain Restitution From Berlin

Soviet Will Be Given 800,000,000 Francs Worth of Goods to Be Supplied by Germany

By KARL H. VON WIEGAND, Staff Correspondent of the Universal Service.

BERLIN, Feb. 15.—(Special wireless dispatch).—Announcement was made here tonight of the preliminary agreement between France and Soviet Russia, by which the Soviet Government agrees to assume Russia's pre-war debts.

In return France guarantees to recognize the Soviet Government de jure and grant long term credits for Russia's reconstruction.

Coming today while Germany is staggering under her latest inner-political crisis, and still unrecovered from the late strike, the Franco-Russian agreement is a severe blow to Germany.

Although it was known in official circles here for the past six weeks that France was flirting with the Soviets, concrete results were not expected so soon. The newspapers generally were withholding judgment until there was some official confirmation of the program, but no attempt was made to conceal consternation at even the possibility of such an agreement.

BERLIN FACES RUIN.

If it is true it means complete economic disaster to Germany, as one of the conditions of the agreement will probably be that Russia must take advantage of the clause under the Versailles Treaty by which the allied and associated powers formally reserve all the rights of Russia to obtain from Germany restitution and satisfactions based on the principles outlined in the treaty.

It is declared here that Russia means now to relinquish these rights to France in return for which France guarantees Russia deliveries in kind amounting to 800,000,000 gold francs, which goods are to be taken from Germany, thus increasing the already existing reparations bill by sixteen billion gold marks.

GERMANY MUST PAY.

By the terms of the agreement Russia will be enabled to proceed with the work of their reconstruction entirely at the expense of Germany without drawing on her own gold reserves or material resources. Under the agreement with Russia the French would have a prior right to all concessions and any other power wishing admittance to the inexhaustible economic field would have to pay at the door any price demanded by France.

England would be excluded from the Russian markets for an indefinite period owing to the French priority rights and the impossibility of competing with Germany's forced deliveries of payment in kind. Diplomatic circles here regard the agreement as the cornerstone of a coalition erected against England's world power, to be comprised of France, Soviet Russia, Turkey and the Mohammedan population of Asia, and also supported by the "little entente," which is generally recognized as a vassal of France.

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Solons Reported Agreed Upon 'No Commissions for Annapolis Class'

Plan to Turn June Graduates Back Into Civilian Careers; Slash in Navy Grant Looms

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—The House naval committee, in trying to discover some way of reducing appropriations for the naval establishment next year, was reported today to have agreed informally to recommend that the first class at Annapolis, to be graduated in June, be turned back to civil life without commissions in the navy.

Although members declined to discuss this proposal, it is understood that such a recommendation probably will be made, along with the further proposal that the number of men to be admitted to the academy each year be reduced from five to two, for each member of Congress. Secretary Denby proposed that the reduction be cut on a Congressional allotment from five to three.

540 MEN IN CLASS.

There are about 540 members of the first class, all of whom naturally expected to be sent to sea.

While the committee continued today to hear naval experts tell of the needs for the next fiscal year under what they described as "the treaty navy," House members were canvassing among themselves in an effort to find how much could be cut from Secretary Denby's estimate of \$350,000,000 for the next fiscal year.

The figure most persistently mentioned as the most probable to be set by the appropriations committee was \$250,000,000.

PERSONNEL OF 90,000.

In asking for \$350,000,000, Secretary Denby explained that this amount would give the navy an enlisted personnel of 90,000, or 10,000 less than fixed by the last appropriation bill.

Chairman Butler declared that the same political influences which brought about the establishment of many yards and stations are at work now to keep them from being destroyed.

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LETTER GIVES NEW CLEW IN FILM MURDER

Man Called Slacker by Taylor Wrote Death Threat, Says Report to Police

Mabel Normand's Chauffeur Gives the Sheriff Evidence to Show Moment of Crime

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 15.—A threatening letter, more ominous and significant in its possible bearing upon the murder of William D. Taylor than any circumstance thus far disclosed, was reported to have been found among the dead man's effects.

The same report, which has come to the authorities from what is regarded as a disinterested and authentic source, further described the missive as having been written by a man prominent in the motion picture world. This man, it has developed, had figured in a controversy with Taylor during the war, when the film director called him a slacker.

It is stated by the same informant that the writer smarting under this stigma, swore he would "get even" with Taylor for that name and for the bad reputation which he, Taylor, had been giving him among moving picture people.

When questioned about this report District Attorney Woolwine replied, "I have not seen such a letter. So far as I know there is no evidence that any person wrote threatening Taylor."

CHAUFFEUR AT HOUSE.

A secret visit made to the "death bungalow" at 404B South Alvarado street by Undersheriff Eugene Biscailuz and Deputy Sheriff Frank Dewar, acting under the direction of Sheriff W. I. Traeger.

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SALES TAX PROPOSAL GAINS STRENGTH

RUTTER CHOSEN NEW STATE DRY CHIEF; 'I'M SANDS, HIDING IN L. A.' SAYS NOTE

SUCCESSOR TO MITCHELL IS DECIDED UPON

Formal Word That Former S. F. Official's Return Is Slated Within Few Days

Johnson and Shortridge Offer No Opposition When Commissioner Voices His Preference

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—(By Universal Service.)—Appointment of Samuel F. Rutter as federal prohibition director of California to succeed E. F. Mitchell, incumbent, has been agreed upon following a series of conferences between Commissioner Haynes and Senators Johnson and Shortridge.

Rutter is the personal choice of Haynes. He headed the flying squad that was sent into Philadelphia a few months ago with instructions to clean up the city and exterminate bootlegging. At the same time, two other Californians were detailed on special work of a similar character. E. C. Yellowley was detailed to New York and John Exniclos to Pittsburgh.

The California trio literally "mopped up" the cities to which they were assigned. Impressed with his work on that detail, and his record as an employee in the internal revenue service under Prohibition Commissioner Kramer, Commissioner Haynes had no other choice for the position when confronted with the necessity of making an appointment. Senators Johnson and Shortridge offered no opposition.

DECISION REACHED That a shake up in the California office was imminent has been current gossip ever since E. C. Yellowley and the mobile squad were detailed to investigate law enforcement conditions in San Francisco. This was strengthened when it became known that Yellowley and Mitchell had clashed over the plans of the former for a general raid in Los Angeles on New Year's Eve.

Yellowley has been in constant touch with Commissioner Haynes since it is on the reports submitted by him that a decision to re-organize the California office was reached.

E. Forrest Mitchell, federal prohibition director of California, and his chief assistant, Thomas A. Brown, will retire from their present government positions before the end of the present month.

Mitchell will be succeeded by Samuel F. Rutter, former acting prohibition director for this state, and it is understood that the latter will be given a free hand to choose his own chief assistant without political interference or suggestion.

Announcement that Rutter was to succeed Mitchell came in news dispatches from Washington last night and was confirmed locally.

DESIRE TO BE BELIEVED. While Mitchell has refrained from stating definitely that he was to resign as California's chief prohibition enforcement officer, his political associates have known for several months that both he and Brown desired to be relieved of their strenuous federal posts.

Both Mitchell and Brown have confided to political friends that their health had been undermined by the pressure of work connected with the responsibility for national prohibition enforcement since they took office last July, and that they were anxious to quit their jobs.

"I am not ready to make a formal statement," Director Mitchell said last night. "When I personally receive expected information from Washington Saturday, I may have something to say."

Can't Convince Japs



Mrs. Margaret Sanger, birth control advocate, whom the Japanese government will not allow to visit Nippon, either as lecturer or tourist.

JAPAN BARS BIRTH CONTROL

The Japanese Government yesterday refused to allow Mrs. Margaret Sanger, lecturer on birth control, either to speak in Japan or to visit there in the guise of a traveler.

Mrs. Sanger faced the situation smilingly after a lengthy session with Shichitaro Yada, consul general of Japan, yesterday and the exchange of more than one cable, in which Tokio remained firm. She intends to sail as planned on the Toyo Kisen Kaisha liner Taiyo Maru February 21 whether the passport is issued or not and take her chances of being able to effect a landing by that time, she announced.

"Without doubt the Japanese government feels that my lectures in their universities would be in direct opposition to their theories of militarism which they have fostered in the past and still continue to foster," said Mrs. Sanger at the Hotel St. Francis yesterday after her lengthy visit at the consulate.

Shichitaro Yada, consul general of Japan, said: "The Japanese Government for some time had been opposed to propaganda of the sort Mrs. Sanger is reported to spread. I presume that was the reason I was ordered not to give her a passport."

"Mrs. Sanger informs me that she intends to sail, as originally planned, on the Toyo Kisen Kaisha liner Taiyo Maru February 21, irrespective of whether I give her a passport or not. By so doing she places herself in the position that she may not be permitted to land at any Japanese point."

Germany Pays Over 31 Million Marks

PARIS, Feb. 17.—(By the Associated Press.)—The German government today advised the allied reparations committee that the fourth ten-day payment of 31,000,000 gold marks was made this morning to banks designated by the guaranties committee. This payment is in accordance with the temporary schedule adopted recently by the reparations commission at Cannes.

No Confidence Vote For Italy Cabinet

ROME, Feb. 17.—(By the Associated Press.)—Premier Bonomi's cabinet was defeated in the Chamber of Deputies this evening on a vote of confidence. The vote was 235 to 107.

NO RECORDS PRESERVED OF ARMS DEBATE

President Will Tell Senate Monday Information Desired Cannot Be Given to Congress

Harding Seeks to Hasten Action on Treaties; 4-Power Agreement to Be Fought Center

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—The administration moved to hasten ratification of the arms conference treaties today by bringing quickly to the surface all the principal issues involved in their consideration by the Senate.

In the foreign relations committee, Republican leaders completed a preliminary survey of opinion on every one of the eight conference agreements laid before the Senate, with the result that it became apparent against what particular points the opposition was preparing to direct its heaviest fire.

At the same time President Harding canvassed opinion in the American delegation regarding the Senate request for full information on the four-power treaty negotiations, and let it be known that his reply to the resolution of request would be sent to the capitol not later than Monday. He is expected to tell the Senate in a brief message that no stenographic record of the negotiations was kept, or was practicable.

FOUR-POWER PACT. The committee discussions which began yesterday developed few surprises in their disclosure of Senate sentiment.

In the view of the Republican leaders, they confirmed the expectation that the four-power treaty would encounter greatest opposition, that the naval limitation treaty would be questioned by some senators, because of its provision against further fortification of Guam and the Philippines, and that the general Far Eastern and Chinese tariff treaties might have some opponents among those who had hoped to see that conference give China a greater measure of independence from foreign interference.

The treaties relating to the island of Yap and to submarines and poison gas are expected by the leaders to meet with the least opposition of all, and some senators believe they may go through without a dissenting vote.

JOHNSON ATTACK. Senator Johnson, Republican, California, led in the questioning of today's meeting in regard to the fortifications of the naval limitation treaty. He suggested that the committee should have the benefit of advice from American naval officers before it acted on the article and indicated he would formally ask later that naval experts be called before the committee.

Senator Borah, Republican, Idaho, indicated some doubt about the protection of Chinese sovereignty under the Far Eastern treaties.

So far as revealed by the committee discussions, the sentiment among Democratic members does not favor a general policy of opposition to any of the treaties. It was said there was no considerable show of reluctance by the Democrats to accede to the naval limitation or Far Eastern treaties, although they reserved final judgment on all of them.

White House officials revealed today that should the Senate decide to adopt a reservation against use of armed forces under the four-power treaty, President Harding would not interpose serious opposition, although he believes that no reservations are necessary.

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Collins Not to Get Invite to Royal Wedding

LONDON, Feb. 17.—(Special Cable Dispatch to Universal Service.)—The king has decided not to send invitations to Princess Mary's wedding to Michael Collins and other prominent members of the new Irish government.

The king wanted to send these invitations but received advice that Collins and the others would have to decline because of the interpretations which Irish opponents of the government would place upon acceptance.

Plans for the wedding rehearsals next week are complete. They will be held early in the morning before large crowds fill the streets.

Stands for spectators are being erected inside the abbey railing. Seats will be sold as low as \$10 to \$25. The proceeds will be used in the restoration of the edifice.

150 MENAGED IN S. F. BLAZE

The plant of the United Licoire Company, First and Harrison streets, was destroyed by fire at an early hour this morning.

The cause is a mystery. Property loss is estimated at \$20,000. More than 150 people, several of them dangerously sick, fled from the Brooklyn Hotel, which adjoined the licoire factory. The sick persons were carried out by firemen.

Two flats adjoining the licoire plant, owned by E. Powers, were partly destroyed. The occupants escaped uninjured.

Auto Bandits Rob N. Y. Bank Carriers

NEW YORK, Feb. 17.—Seven motor bandits held up two messengers of the Pacific Bank today at a crowded point in First avenue near the Queensborough bridge, shot one of them and escaped with a bag containing \$5,000. The crime occurred within fifty feet of a police station.

Pistols were knocked from the hands of both messengers—Richard Kahrs, 56, and Joseph P. Hynes, 50—when they resisted. The former was shot in the back.

Man Chosen for Will Hays' Position

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—President Harding has decided whom he will name as successor to Postmaster General Hays. It was said today at the White House, but is not yet ready to make public the selection.

Hays will resign March 4, it has previously been announced, and the one most prominently mentioned as his successor is Dr. Hubert Work, first assistant postmaster general.

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When you think of writing, think of WHITTING—Adv.

BONUS ACTION WAITS ONLY UPON PEOPLE

G. O. P. Leaders Waiting for Public Sentiment to Crystallize Into Decisive Demand

Harding Plan Favors Tax on Production Rather Than Imposition on Retail Sales of Goods

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—(By Universal Service.)—Support in Congress continued to swing in favor of the soldier bonus sales tax today, while Republican leaders in the Senate and House deferred action on President Harding's proposal.

It was announced after meetings of the Republican members of the Senate Finance and the House Ways and Means Committee that the sales tax method of financing the bonus, which was recommended to Congress by the President yesterday, would not be considered for several days, and that the bonus measure would not be reported to the House for ten days.

Republican leaders in both branches of Congress said they desired to wait until sentiment has crystallized throughout the country.

Numerous Democratic representatives informed the minority leaders of the House today that they would vote for the bonus sales tax if it is reported by the Ways and Means Committee.

These included members from South Carolina, Mississippi, Texas and other southern States whose delegations voted solidly against the bonus last summer.

OPPOSITION IS SPLIT. Efforts of the Democratic leaders in the House and the leaders of the agricultural bloc in both houses to unite a majority behind a plan to restore the excess profits tax as a substitute for the President's proposal of a sales tax, made no headway during the day.

Representatives and Senators from farm States whose opposition to the bonus sales tax had been counted upon, announced that they could not vote against the bonus measure in any form.

The American Legion today prepared to launch a nationwide campaign against restoration of the excess profits tax to finance the bonus. Legion heads will charge that advocacy of that substitute is opposition to the bonus itself, and that the plan is being proposed in an effort to defeat the bonus altogether.

President Harding let it be known today that he favors the Smoot plan for a general sales tax on manufacturers, importers, producers, with agricultural exempted, in preference to other suggested forms of the sales tax.

TAX ON PRODUCTION. An official White House statement declared that the President favors a tax on production rather than a tax on retail sales. The manufacturers' sales tax would be more easily collected and more equitably distributed, in the opinion of the President.

The President has not made up his mind, it was stated further, whether he would veto or approve a bonus bill that did not carry its own financing provision or from which the cash bonus feature was eliminated.

An intensive campaign of propaganda against both the sales tax and the bonus tax was launched today by the same corporations, organizations and individuals who flooded Congress with demands for the passage of the \$500,000,000 railroad relief bill.

Prominent among these organizations are the Iron League of New York, the Real Estate Board of New York and the Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York.

Files of members of Congress showed letters and telegrams from these organizations and others urging the gift of \$500,000,000 to the railroad.

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Irish Free State Bill Is Passed in Commons; Ulster In Losing Fight

Boundary Commission Provision Defeated, 302 to 60; George and Asquith Champion Ireland

BELFAST, Feb. 17.—(By the Associated Press.)—Only three shots were fired in Belfast today and no disorders were reported on the border. A quiet weekend is expected. The official view is that the situation generally has improved.

All kidnapped civilians have been released, but a score of specials are still detained.

There are said to be 20,000 well-armed specials on the northern side of the border and an uncertain number of Republican soldiers on the southern side, with British troops at Newry, Enniskillen and elsewhere.

LONDON, Feb. 17.—(By the Associated Press.)—The bill establishing the Irish Free State passed its second reading in the House of Commons today after the amendment offered by Captain Charles Craig, leader of the Ulster Unionists, for altering the boundary commission provisions of the Anglo-Irish treaty had been defeated by a vote of 302 to 60.

With the amendment decisively defeated, the second reading was adopted without a division.

The amendment thus disposed of stipulated that in view of the fact that the treaty provided for the creation of a boundary commission, and that such provision was in direct abrogation of Ulster's rights under the Ireland act of 1920.

Lord Hugh Cecil charged the government with treating the Sinn Féin as if it were a constituted government.

"Now that I have found it is not a government and that crimes of a terrible character are breaking out, I think the bill ought to be rejected."

ASQUITH FAVORS BILL. Former Premier Asquith vigorously supported the bill, saying the boundary question was an integral part of the treaty and that it would be impossible to escape the charge of gross bad faith if there were any repudiation.

Prime Minister Lloyd George, interrupting an attack on the government by Thomas Moles, Unionist member for the Ormeau Division of Belfast, contradicted the Ulster member's assertion that the government had assured Sir James Craig that the boundary adjustment would be of a minor character while promising Michael Collins extensive changes.

A heated altercation ensued between Moles and Lloyd George over this point.

"Ulster demands a straight deal," exclaimed Moles, who said in conclusion: "If a breach is made in the wall surrounding the Ulster area and invasion is attempted we will stand in the breach and defend it or fill it with dead bodies."

Marital Law Now Rules in Salvador

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—Marital law has been proclaimed throughout the Republic of Salvador, following a revolt by 54 cadets of the National Military Academy on the evening of February 15, the State Department was advised today in a dispatch from American Minister Schuyler at San Salvador.

Miss Legislature Not to Try Governor

JACKSON (Miss.), Feb. 17.—The Mississippi House of Representatives today adopted a substitute resolution from the judiciary committee, providing for leaving the betrayal charges against Governor Russell by Miss Frances Birkhead to the courts. The vote was 75 to 30.

TAXI DRIVER SOUGHT AS L. A. SUSPECT

"Did Not Kill Taylor; Can Tell Who Did," Says Letter to Prosecutor; May Be a Hoax

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 17.—Police last night began a hunt for a taxicab driver who has disappeared, as a suspect in the Taylor murder mystery. The evidence tending to connect him with the crime is more circumstantial than any so far developed.

(For further details of this angle of the mystery, see page 2.)

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 17.—"I am hiding in Los Angeles. I did not kill Taylor, but I can tell you who did."

"I am going to stay in hiding until I have assurance from you that I will not be prosecuted on the charges against me."

(Signed) "SANDS."

This is the substance of a letter received several days ago by District Attorney Thomas Lee Woolwine, which he made public tonight for the first time.

The prosecutor does not know whether it is genuine or a hoax. In the several days he has held it he has been weighing this question—"Shall Sands be offered immunity?"

In answer, Woolwine prepared an official communication in which he agrees, in case Sands is innocent, and gives information tending to untangle the Taylor murder mystery, that he "will make a dismissal of the case of embezzlement now pending against him and set him free."

TEXT OF LETTER. The "Sands" letter in full is as follows:

Los Angeles, Cal., Feb. 14, 1922. Mr. Woolwine, Los Angeles, Cal. Dear Sir:

This letter will probably surprise you when you read it. I am taking this liberty to write you to make matters more easy for you. In the first place I am Mr. Sands, although a friend of mine is writing this letter under my dictation. Mr. Woolwine, you need not look all over the world for me, for I am living right here in Los Angeles and am reading the paper every day concerning the Taylor murder.

I will be frank with you, Mr. Woolwine: I haven't had any peace of mind since the murder and I have come to the conclusion that the quicker this thing is settled the better off we will all be. Now, Mr. Woolwine, in the first place, I did not murder Taylor, but I know who did it, but what assurance have I from you to know that you will accept my story? "None."

Therefore I want a guarantee from you that if I surrender myself into your hands and if I can establish my innocence of the crime you will set me free.

If you will do this, Mr. Woolwine, I can untangle this murder mystery for you. You may answer me in any of the Los Angeles papers.

Thank you. E. F. SANDS.

TEXT OF REPLY. Here is the reply, in full, which Woolwine has made:

To Edward F. Sands, through the public press: I am in receipt of a letter dated February 14, 1922, post-marked Los Angeles, which by its language purports to have been dictated by you. I have no present means of knowing whether or not the letter is genuine, and I receive vast numbers of bogus communications, but I intend to treat it as

Today

Love sees far ahead.
Rich poor farm.
A strange lynching.
The advertising pilot.

—By Arthur Brisbane—

At Syracuse University 21 young men and women tried to answer this: "Why is love blind?"

The real answer is that far from being blind, the power that draws men and women together is far and clear sighted. Men call it blind, because THEY, the men, are not allowed to choose. They wake up from a queer hallucination and find themselves married. Nature sees clearly, knows more than men about the human race and its needs.

Tall men marry short women; stout, calm ladies marry thin, nervous men. Intelligence marries foolishness, and women, nine times out of ten, marry their moral inferiors. Thus the race is kept balanced, running along on a constantly mixing basis that prevents disastrous production of a super-race, able to rule all others.

In Oklahoma, on a poor farm near Bristow, old men and women shiver in winter, sit in the sun in summer, glad that they may die slowly, without worry. And on that farm an oil well, just tapped, spouts up thirty-five hundred dollars a day. What would you be interested in contrasts?

In Georgia, near Valdosta, a negro is lynched. He forced his way into a school house, killed a little girl and wounded a boy fatally. A crowd, enraged, surrounded and shot him to death, ignoring his plea for a regular trial.

What would you say about that AFTER being told that the lynching mob was made up entirely of negroes? Men imitate each other, and under certain circumstances take the law into their own hands. Read Shaler's book on the mob and you will understand things that puzzle many.

The city of Boston has engaged a professional press agent. Wise Mayor Curley. Intelligent publicity is what every concern needs. City, individual, or corporation. First have it, then tell about it.

Every business needs a professional advertising director as much as a ship needs a pilot. The man who says "Oh, I know how to advertise my business," is as foolish as though he tried to steer a ship through Hell Gate. Publicity is a SCIENCE, exact, and every day making new discoveries.

Mr. Bok offers Mr. Hoover, out of Bok's own pocket, fifty thousand dollars a year for five years if Hoover will manage the Philadelphia fair of 1926 to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the declaration of independence. Mr. Hoover could afford to pay Mr. Bok much more easily than Mr. Bok can afford to pay Mr. Hoover, but that's another story.

Can you, young gentlemen of 60 and up, realize that "the centennial" in Philadelphia happened almost fifty years ago. Do you remember Machinery Hall, the Indian camp with many bears, tied, and Indian canoes, the lake with patent boats that you could row forward, the lemon pies, five cents for an entire pie?

They are going to do it all over again, but with dearer pies. Mr. Bok and the others will get just as much excited as the men of 1876, and when it's over they'll have lost money, but won't care. Humanity changes little.

That German Stinnes must be, industrially, a close approach to Nietzsche's super-man. Operating in a country ruined by war, he makes all the world's other business men seem like children. Entire national industries are under his thumb. Now he reaches out into Russia, buys gigantic estates, including a palace in Moscow and enormous Ukrainian forests for paper making.

The world has seen all kinds of world conquerors, except industrial conquerors. Rich men are

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BONUS PLAN WINS NEW FEDERAL SUPPORT

MOTOR LICENSE AUDITOR HELD IN THEFTS; LANDIS QUILTS BENCH FOR BASEBALL POST

\$2,300 FRAUD DISCOVERED IN STATE BUREAU

D. F. Jerauld Jailed in Sacramento for Alleged Theft of Motor License Checks

Refund Checks to Motorists Alleged to Have Been Taken by Trusted State Official

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 18.—Charged with forgery and embezzlement of State funds, D. F. Jerauld, auditor of the State Motor Vehicle Department, was arrested today by city detectives.

Examination thus far of the books of the department show that Jerauld has made away with not less than \$2,300, his accusers allege.

It was charged that Jerauld has been forging names to motor license refund checks returned to the department as "undelivered." These were for some which were sent back to payees where the amounts were in excess of the actual fee necessary.

Jerauld, it is charged, took the return checks, forged the names of the payees and cashed the checks. Investigation has been under way for some days in the department on the discovery. It is alleged, of complaints that some of the checks were cashed by others than payees.

These checks, which were for various amounts, did not run in large figures. For the most part they were, as explained today after Jerauld's arrest, for excess amounts sent to the department for licensees. It has been the practice of the department on receipt of such excess amounts in checks to credit the payee with the correct amount and make return by check on the department for any excess.

Manipulation of these checks has been done, according to the department investigators, by Jerauld, who, as auditor, had charge of the work of handling the remittances.

Investigation is still under way. Jerauld made no statement after his arrest.

The charges will, it was stated at the department, be taken on Monday before the grand jury. Jerauld has been a State employee for several years and has been trusted implicitly by the department.

Charles J. Chenu, superintendent of the department, was out of the city when Jerauld was arrested.

The officials at the department declined to say whether they or the State Board of Control made the discoveries of discrepancies which led to the arrest of Jerauld.

Japs to 'Pirate' H. G. Wells' History

TOKIO, Feb. 17.—(Delayed.) (To Universal Service, Special Cable Dispatch).—The agent here for H. G. Wells, the noted English historian, is trying to prevent the Daitokaku publishers from issuing an outline of Wells' history of Japan from "Outlines of History," in the Japanese language. The agent insists Wells will not consent to such publication.

The matter has been taken up directly with the author by cable who has replied to his agent "write particulars." The Japanese publisher claims Wells' message to his agent was "right particulars."

The book will be ready in a few days.

\$4,000 Cash Rewards in the DOLORES RUBIES Mystery

\$400 Given Away to "Examiner" Readers Today

See Page 1, Second News Section, This Issue.



Judge Kencaw Mountain Landis, who sent resignation from Federal bench to President Harding yesterday.

NICOLAI LENINE SERIOUSLY ILL

LONDON, Feb. 18.—(Special cable dispatch to Universal Service).—Nicolai Lenine is seriously ill, according to information received from Moscow by members of the Soviet Russian Trade Commission. He is understood to be suffering from cystitis.

The recent decision of Lenine not to attend the Genoa conference is believed due to his precarious physical condition.

The Soviet commission here denies the report that Lenine has relinquished control of Russian administrative affairs at Moscow. Members of the commission declare that the commissary council president has left Moscow temporarily and is living in the country. He is said to be in constant touch with the capital and in daily communication with members of the Central Soviet.

Train Is Robbed And Agent Shot

ALAMOSA (Colo.), Feb. 18.—Two masked men robbed the express car of eastbound Denver and Rio Grande Western train No. 116 about two miles east of here, tonight, shot Express Messenger Gomez when he resisted, and escaped. Gomez is seriously wounded.

The amount of the loot taken by the robbers is unknown. The bandits, after shooting Gomez, hurriedly filled their arms with packages, pulled the bell rope, jumped off when the train slowed down and disappeared. A posse under Sheriff John Baunmaster has started in pursuit.

Wife Shoots Man To Show Her Love

CINCINNATI, Ohio, Feb. 18.—"I know I am going to die and I want Walter to go with me, because I love him so."

This was the explanation given by Mrs. Virgie Shelton, 23, for the shooting of her husband, Walter Shelton, 24, who was shot in the head this morning while asleep at their home in Walnut Hills, a suburb.

\$150,000 in Jewels Vanish From Train

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 18.—(By International News Service).—The loss or theft of unset diamonds valued at \$150,000 retail, while traveling between Chicago and St. Louis in an Illinois Central sleeping car, was reported to the police here today by Sidney Krenzel, diamond salesman of 66-68 Nassau street, New York.

Any reader who suffers from Asthma can be quickly cured without risk by a penny through the remarkable discovery of C. Leavenworth, 1937 S. W. Blvd., Rosedale, Kansas. Don't send a penny—just write Mr. Leavenworth and he will send you a big bottle of his prescription on 10 days' trial. If it cures send \$1.25. Otherwise send no money. Adv.

JURIST FINDS 2 POSITIONS TOO ARDUOUS

Picturesque Member of U. S. Bench Will Devote All His Time to Baseball Activities

Appointed by Roosevelt in 1905, Landis Rounds Out 17 Years of Distinguished Service

BY LUTHER A. HUSTON
Staff Correspondent International News Service

CHICAGO, Feb. 18.—Judge Kencaw Mountain Landis, probably the best known jurist in the United States, resigned his post as judge of the United States District Court here today. He will relinquish his judicial duties on March 1.

His resignation was forwarded to President Harding in the mails today.

Judge Landis retired from a life position as a United States jurist to devote his entire time to organized baseball, of which he is high commissioner.

The judge was 55 years old on November 20, last.

TOO ARDUOUS.

Fifteen months ago Judge Landis accepted the place of baseball commissioner at an annual salary of \$50,000. Protests against his retirement from the bench at that time led him to decide to attempt to administer both his baseball and his judicial duties and as a result his contract with the baseball magnates was revised so that his judicial salary of \$7,500 per year was deducted, leaving baseball to pay him an annual stipend of \$42,500.

Fifteen months' trial of the arduous proposition of holding down both his place on the bench and the baseball job has convinced the judge that it is too arduous an undertaking.

"I find there are not enough funds in the day to continue the functions of both offices," was Judge Landis' way of putting it.

Judge Landis was appointed to the bench by President Roosevelt on March 28, 1905. In a little more than a month he would have completed seventeen years of service in the judiciary branch of the government. His vigorous methods and outspokenness made him an outstanding character, almost a national institution.

OPPOSITION SHOWS.

Vigorous opposition to Judge Landis sprang up soon after he announced his acceptance of the position of baseball commissioner. A concerted movement apparently was launched to force him to retire either from the baseball job or the bench.

Largely through the instigation of Senator Dial of South Carolina and Representative Welby of Ohio, since retired, an attempt was made to bring impeachment proceedings against him in Congress.

Attempts to force action on the impeachment proceedings failed, however, and attempts to enact legislation making it illegal for a Federal judge to accept outside employment have not been successful.

Judge Landis first attracted national wide attention in 1907, when he fined the Standard Oil Company more than \$25,000,000 in a re-bating case. The fine subsequently was set aside by a higher court, but its imposition brought the spotlight upon the judge, then in his second year as a Federal jurist.

SALES TAX IS FAST GAINING IN CONGRESS

Preliminary Polls of Representatives Show Landslide in Favor of Soldier Bonus Plan

Fight Is Mapped Out to Begin Monday Night; Operation of Impost Again Is Explained

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—(By Universal Service).—With the administration support pledged to the sales tax through President Harding's recommendation of that plan of financing the soldiers' bonus, sales tax advocates in Congress continued to strengthen their lines today.

Preliminary polls of state delegations in the House were made under the direction of Republican House leaders. They disclosed a sentiment in swinging rapidly in favor of the bonus sales tax.

It was stated by a prominent Republican in the House tonight that a majority now seems assured for the plan. The polls showed that gains have been made not only in the south, which voted almost solidly against the bonus two years ago, but also in the north and New England.

The majority of the members of the House where the bonus sales tax fight will begin were "on the fence" before the President sent his letter to Chairman Fordney of the ways and means committee, advocating the sales tax as the only feasible method of financing the bonus.

MORE SUPPORT PLEDGED.

These "on the fence" members are lining up for the bonus sales tax, the polls showed. Most of them already favor the bonus, and have announced their support of the plan since the President threw his support to it.

The Massachusetts delegation, a poli disclosed, is almost solidly in favor of the bonus sales tax now. A majority of that delegation was opposed to the sales tax and the delegation was about evenly divided on the bonus question itself before the President submitted his recommendations.

Similar gains were disclosed in other states, notably New York, New Jersey and Illinois. Republican House leaders also learned that many members from Iowa, Kansas, Missouri and other agricultural states who are members of the farm bloc will vote for the bonus sales tax.

The principal opponents of the bonus sales tax have abandoned their plan to prevent adoption of the sales tax by having the cash bonus feature eliminated from the adjusted compensation measure.

FIGHT OPENS MONDAY.

The opposition leaders, Representatives Fear of Wisconsin, Knutson of Minnesota, the Republican whip in the House, and Representative Campbell of Kansas, chairman of the House rules committee, said today it would be possible to eliminate the cash payment.

The fight for adoption of the sales tax will be launched Monday night at a caucus of all Republican members of the House. The caucus has been called to consider the question of ordering the House census committee to report the reappropriation bill increasing the size of the House of Representatives from 435 to 460 members in accordance with the 1920 census.

The delegation from the House that recently visited Canada as guests of William Randolph Hearst have planned, however, to open their fight for a sales tax for the bonus at the caucus. (Under the rules of party procedure the caucus can take no binding action, but the sales tax advocates will present their arguments and seek to gain support for the President's recommendation.)

Representative Volk of New York, chairman of the delegation, has sent a letter to every member of the House asking him to state his position on the bonus sales tax. The first replies are beginning.

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America's Hope Not in Parties Or Platforms, But in Men

SECRETARY TUMULTY likens what he calls the trend toward Wilson to the Resurrection and Wilson's defeat in 1920 to the Crucifixion.

Apparently Mr. Tumulty looks forward to the possible election of the Democrats at the Second Coming of Wilsonism.

Mr. Tumulty is in grave error. In addition to Mr. Tumulty's remarks being somewhat blasphemous, they are supremely ridiculous. There is no trend to Wilson or Wilsonism. There is a trend on the part of a disappointed public away from the Republican party.

And the reason for that Republican disaffection is simply because the policies of the Republican administration are almost identical with the repudiated policies of the Wilson administration.

Wilsonism will be defeated a second time when the people defeat the Republican party at the polls this Fall, as they certainly will do.

What the people want is to get away from Wilsonism and its policy of foreign complications and to get back to the true American policies of Washington and Jefferson and Lincoln.

When the people voted for the Republican party at the late Presidential election, it was because that party promised to repudiate Wilsonism and restore the policies of the Fathers of the Republic.

And when the people defeat the Republican party at the next election, it will be because that party failed to keep its promises, failed to repudiate Wilsonism, failed to restore the Government to the historic American policy of no entangling alliances with foreign nations.

These facts are so clear that they would be admitted by politicians of both parties did not the international bankers control the politicians of both parties by great contributions to their campaign funds—a fact which politicians do not like to admit.

The people, however, are beginning to know this reason for party treachery and must find a remedy for it.

The public should not again be deceived by mere promises, as they were at the Republican convention in Chicago.

The public must come to realize that party pledges mean nothing unless those party pledges represent the convictions of the nominees; in other words, unless the men who are nominated have proved by their records that their personal principles are identical with the professions of the platform.

To avoid another betrayal the citizens must abandon partisanship and blind faith in party platforms. They must depend upon men, and give their support to that party which nominates the most dependable men, the most loyal men, the men with the best records of Americanism.

In fact, the next President is probably in the making now in this struggle on the part of true Americans in the Senate to prevent the nation from being betrayed by the agents of the international bankers into those dangerous and destructive policies of foreign entanglements that our great Washington so earnestly warned us to avoid.

The men who lead this patriotic fight for the historic policy of American independence should be the men to whom the people will turn for the next Presidential nominees.

They are the men who will not lie to them and deceive them, not make false promises to secure the people's votes and then break those promises to please the international bankers.

They are the men whose public records tell their true sentiments and their permanent principles.

The hope for the future, the guaranty of loyalty to the American people and to American institutions, is not in parties or in platforms, but in men.

WILLIAM RANDOLPH HEARST.

'SANDS' NOTE CLEW FAILS IN FILM QUIZ

Day's Inquiry Directs Suspicion Against Driver Who Disappeared on Night of Murder

Tip Wired to Woolwine That Missing Ex-Valet of Taylor Pawned Gems in Pittsburgh

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 18.—(By International News Service).—New trace of Edward F. Sands reached District Attorney Woolwine late today. Sands is sought as a suspect in the William Desmond Taylor murder mystery.

A list of names forwarded by a Pittsburgh pawnbroker to Los Angeles authorities for checking contained the name of "Edward F. Sands, 404B South Alvarado st., Los Angeles." The list showed Sands had pawned considerable jewelry.

By OSCAR H. FERNBACH.
LOS ANGELES, Feb. 18.—Spreading their nets throughout the city of Los Angeles, as well as to all points within this and neighboring counties, police detectives, deputy sheriffs and assistants of the district attorney dragged for Edward F. Sands, missing former valet of William Desmond Taylor, the murdered film director.

In like manner they prosecuted the hunt for the missing taxicab driver, whose name is being withheld, but whose disappearance on the night of the murder, coupled with the circumstance of his having known and driven Taylor, and of his missing revolver, have made it imperative for the authorities to find him and have him explain all of his actions on the night of Taylor's killing.

The hunt for Sands has been given impetus by the letter, purporting to have been dictated by him, which District Attorney Woolwine received yesterday. Woolwine today reiterated his willingness to dismiss all other charges pending against Sands, provided the latter will come out of his hiding and help, as his purported letter volunteered, to "clean up the mystery."

MAY BE HOAX.

But though every possible clew to his whereabouts is being followed, the efforts of the police thus far have been unsuccessful. Woolwine is now inclined to believe that the letter may have been a hoax, or else that it was written by some irresponsible person acting under delusions due to the constant reading of the murder story.

Meanwhile, broken down in health by the strain brought upon her through her connection with the murder mystery, Mabel Normand, moving picture actress, late last night moved from her Seventh street residence to a secluded home in Pasadena. She refused to see interviewers, and had no explanation to give of the locket found in Taylor's possession, containing her picture and the inscription "To my dearest."

Facts tending to confirm the suspicion now standing against the missing taxicab driver, whose name the police are withholding, but whose peculiar actions before and after the murder of William Desmond Taylor together with his unexplained disappearance, were constantly related in today's Examiner, were secured today from two unquestioned sources and throw this character into stronger relief, a dominant figure in the mystery. District Attorney Woolwine today admitted that he is deeply interested in this man and

Princess Mary's Wedding
Millions of dollars worth of presents come from crowned heads.
Next Sunday's Examiner

THE WEATHER
San Francisco, Cal.
Wed. Feb. 22
Partly cloudy
Moderate
Slightly wind.
G. H. WILSON,
Forecaster

Today
A "toddler's" power.
First pay what's owing.
How to find money.
Little country, big risk.
By Arthur Brisbane—

The granddaughter of the richest man in the world is to have her own way and marry the Swiss riding master, who, it now appears, is four times her age. BUT—

That doesn't settle it. It merely shows the wisdom of the older people.

The young lady is 16, the world is filled with boys of 18, with curly yellow hair, a knack for "toddling," and a line of conversation, limited, but convincing. A few earnest conversations with such a "toddler," plus time and distance, and the Swiss riding master will ride alone.

You know what happened in Voltaire's "Zadig." He wanted to stop the widows of India burning themselves alive. He didn't attack the old custom, only passed a law compelling the bereaved widow before being burned, to spend a couple of hours in conversation with the handsomest young man in the village.

There were few widow burnings after that, the widows were missing.

The War Department is asking Congress to train 227,000 men instead of 27,000 civilians, in various camps this year. Congress would do well to pay what it owes the soldiers that have had their taste of camp life and trench life before sending any others to camp, or indulging in any other luxuries. If the nation can't afford what it owes the soldiers, it can't afford anything.

Every banker will say no, every man who thinks he knows all about money and knows NOTHING, will lift his hands to heaven in horror. Nevertheless, the soldiers' bonus could be taken care of simply, safely, wisely by issuing currency to pay the soldiers.

Because the banks did not need the money, the Federal Reserve has withdrawn from circulation hundreds of millions of currency. Government without paying interest, or worrying taxpayers, could simply reissue \$300,000,000 of that currency to the soldiers. NOBODY WOULD EVER KNOW IT unless the fact were published.

Five hundred millions distributed among two or three million men would be immediately spent and spent wisely for things actually NEEDED. This would stimulate trade, help restore prosperity. It would do for the hard times what a good rain does for the hard baked soil. But it would NOT suit those accustomed to make a nice profit whenever government needs money.

The Egyptians had a leader named Zaglou Pasha, who thought Egypt should be free. The English took him away, which seemed simple. A dispatch from London says the Egyptians have vowed to kill one Englishman every day until Zaglou is returned. It will not be done, probably. The instinct of self-preservation is very strong. But among Orientals it is easy to find many indifferent to death. The number of killings may be annoying.

Lord Allenby goes back to Egypt with proposals that show the British are gradually deciding to loosen their hold on parts of the empire.

The British protectorate will be withdrawn. Egyptian leaders will be allowed to form an independent Egyptian government, with their own foreign minister and a parliament.

The tendency is more and more to let people go free when they want to go free. It will be interesting to see what happens if that is done in Egypt, India, the Philippines and others that have not yet proved capacity for self-government.

Railroad traffic fell off in 1921 23.3 per cent compared to 1920—biggest drop in American railroad history. And the year 1920 was none too good. The number of tons of freight carried one mile in

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TAYLOR VALET SAYS WOMAN IS SLAYER

NO SACRIFICE BY AMERICA, SAYS HARVEY; SALES TAX MAKES NEW STRIDE IN FAVOR

MEASURE ON SCHEDULE FOR QUICK ACTION

Agreement by End of Week Is Committee Forecast in House; One or Two Details Remain

Plan to Be Fixed Upon Expected to Apply to Wholesalers and Jobbers; Will Be Sufficient

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—(By Universal Service.)—Agreement by the House Ways and Means Committee before the end of the week on a sales tax to finance the soldiers' bonus was forecast by Republican leaders on the committee tonight.

Consideration of the revenue feature of the bonus bill, which was suspended last week to give the public an opportunity to express itself on President Harding's recommendation of a sales tax as the only feasible means of paying the bonus, will be resumed tomorrow afternoon.

The Republican caucus scheduled for tonight at which the fight on bonus tax was to have been formally launched was postponed for want of a quorum.

The caucus was called to take up proposed reapportionments of the house, but those members who went to Canada as guests of William Randolph Hearst to study the sales tax there had planned to use the caucus as a medium for getting their campaign under way. The meeting probably will be held before the end of the week, it was stated.

The subcommittee of majority members of the Ways and Means Committee handling the financing section of the measure will hear Secretary of the Treasury Mellon, who advised the President to recommend the sales tax, and then proceeded to act upon the President's recommendation. One or two details have to be disposed of before the general question of a sales tax is voted upon, but it is not believed these matters will require more than a couple of days.

NO QUESTION LEFT. There is no question in the minds of the leading advocates of the sales tax but that the Ways and Means Committee will report out a bonus bill with that method of raising the necessary revenue. The questions to be determined in advance of final decision involve the application of the sales levy.

That there will not be a final retail tax is said to have been agreed upon, though no formal vote has been taken. The point to be determined is whether the sales tax shall be made applicable to manufacturers or to wholesalers and jobbers. It appeared more probable tonight that the plan to be agreed upon will apply to wholesalers and jobbers.

The latter levy, according to Representative Bacharach of New Jersey, one of the champions of the sales tax on the Ways and Means Committee, will produce more than sufficient revenue to meet the demand under the bonus legislation during the initial period of payment.

NO ALARM FELT. Representative Fear, leading Republican opponent of the sales tax on the Ways and Means Committee, and Dickinson, leader of the House farm bloc, were declared today to have conceded that the Ways and Means Committee will report the bonus legislation with a sales tax and that the Republican caucus probably will approve it. But they assert that there will be a coalition of Republicans and Democrats opposed to the sales levy that will defeat it.

Sales tax champions are not viewing this threatened coalition with

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Oser 'Only 40,' Say M'Cormicks

Mother Is Silent on Engagement

16-YEAR-OLD BRIDE-TO-BE

Here is Mathilde McCormick, whose engagement to Swiss riding master has caused furore in McCormick and Rockefeller families.



CHICAGO, Feb. 20.—(By the Associated Press.)—Miss Mathilde McCormick, 16-year-old daughter of Harold P. McCormick, president of the International Harvester Company, spent today in bed, resting from the excitement attendant on obtaining her family's consent to marry Max Oser of Bern, Switzerland, proprietor of a riding academy at Zurich.

From the old Cyrus Hall McCormick mansion, where Miss McCormick is living with her father, who moved there following his recent divorce from Mrs. Edith Rockefeller McCormick, further details of the romance were gleaned today.

First and foremost, the family fixed Oser's age at 40 years, contradicting statements of Emil Burgy, a Chicago interior decorator, who claims to be a cousin of Oser. Burgy told newspaper men that Oser was 57 years old, although previous dispatches from abroad had fixed his age at 48.

OLD MAN TALK BOSH. Both guesses were wrong, the McCormick family announced today.

Howard A. Colby, a friend of McCormick, who gave the facts to the Associated Press, said: "McCormick knows Oser personally. He is only 40 years old, and full of musty and pep. This stuff about his being an old man is all bosh. He is really a young man and Miss Mathilde is a very mature young lady. It isn't like marrying the average 16-year-old girl. Everybody is much pleased with the engagement."

Miss McCormick, who was born in 1905, will be 17 years old on April 8 next. The date of her return to Switzerland has not been decided, Colby said. Asked whether she

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SENATE QUIZ OF HUGHES ON PACT LOOMS

Foreign Relations Committee Decides to Call Secretary, as Executive Lacks Information

President Declares That It Is Not Proper to Inquire Into "Confidential Conversations"

By JAMES R. NOURSE. Staff Correspondent of the Universal Service. WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—Secretary Hughes, the only American official who knows the secrets behind the drafting of the four-power treaty, will have to submit to interrogation by the Foreign Relations Committee of the Senate to explain what the treaty means and why the United States is asked to enter into an alliance with France, Japan and England.

A decision to this effect was reached today by a majority of the committee after President Harding's letter stating that he had no information about the treaty was read to the Senate.

Secretary Hughes will not be disturbed on his vacation trip to Bermuda, which is scheduled to last until the end of the month. Immediately on his return, however, a resolution will be put through the committee calling for his appearance as a witness. He will be asked particularly to disclose why the treaty was proposed, who first proposed it, why he as the American representative agreed to it, and what it means to the United States.

DRAFTS WILL BE ASKED. The preliminary drafts, one of which is said to have been brought over from London by the British delegation and another by the Japanese from Tokyo, also will be asked for in order that the committee may ascertain how closely the accepted draft follows those which came from those sources.

Although it is now accepted as a fact that no minutes were kept of the secret meetings of the "Big Four," Secretary Hughes will be asked to disclose to the committee some information as to what took place behind the closed doors when he and his associates determined to bind the United States into an alliance involving complete abandonment of America's right to freedom of action in the Pacific and absolute departure from her traditional policy against alliances of the sort.

NO RIGHT TO INQUIRE. President Harding's letter responding to the Hitchcock resolution caused no surprise to the Senate. It was anticipated that he would say he had no information respecting the treaty, and his letter fulfilled these expectations. The President went a little further than the situation required, however, by informing the Senate that it had no right to inquire into "confidential conversations or discussions," and by reiterating that the treaty contained no "commitments," no "concealed understandings."

The letter of the President follows: To the Senate: Responsive to Senate resolution No. 237 asking for records, minutes, arguments, debates, conversations, etc., relating to the so-called four-power treaty, I have to advise that it is impossible to comply with the Senate's request. Many of the things asked for in the resolution it is literally impossible to furnish because there were many conversations and discussions quite outside the conference yet vital to its success. Naturally, these are without record.

I do not believe it to be compatible with public interest or consistent with the amenities of international negotiation to at-

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U.S. WILL O.K. PACTS, ENVOY TELLS BRITISH

Balfour Paid Fulsome Eulogy by American Ambassador at Dinner of Pilgrims Society

King George, in Message to Gathering, Praises Harding and Hughes for Work at Parley

LONDON, Feb. 20.—(Special Cable Dispatch to Universal Service.)—Positive assurance to Great Britain that the United States Senate will ratify the Washington conference treaties was given by Ambassador Harvey tonight at the Pilgrims Society dinner in honor of A. J. Balfour.

"Peace on the Pacific is assured for years to come, and probably for all time," said Colonel Harvey. "When I say assured, I speak from information, the exactness of which is beyond question, that the ratification of these compacts, all of them, by the British Parliament is no more certain than their ratification by the Senate of the United States—and that, too, much sooner than is commonly anticipated."

Discussing the results of the conference, Colonel Harvey said: "Much has been said, time and again, of the sacrifices made by various powers with respect especially to their respective importance. 'Be it known that the outset that for the generosity thus implied, the United States deserves no credit whatever. She made no sacrifice—none. She scrapped many costly warships, she abandoned vast projects of fortification, she snuffed at the false pride of becoming a first naval power, she snuffed out what was left of her great army, but all these things involve no sacrifice. 'They constituted a boon. They reduced taxes, they released present millions for future billions of dollars for the development of lands and industries, they transferred brawn and skill from floating slaughterhouses to shops and factories for the building of homes, churches and schools. 'So far from entailing losses they produced only gain to ourselves and to the world."

Ambassador Harvey described the American delegation as "all four descended directly and exclusively from British stock."

King George honored Balfour by sending a long message to the Pilgrims' banquet in which he not merely singled out Balfour for the highest praise, but also paid eloquent tribute to President Harding and Secretary Hughes.

In his message regarding Balfour the King said: "His discharge of the high, responsible duties maintained the high traditions of British statesmanship, justly earning the gratitude and admiration of the empire and the confidence and esteem of the other great nations represented at that historic assembly."

Speaking of President Harding, King George said: "To President Harding must go forth feelings of grateful recognition. He was the originator of the conference, and the world is immeasurably indebted to him."

The King then added that Secretary Hughes presided over the deliberations with "skill, courtesy and tact."

Parley Unmixed Benefit To Mankind; Balfour LONDON, Feb. 20.—(By the Associated Press.)—America joined in the praises of A. J. Balfour, head of the British mission at Washington conference in his welcome to the homeland, when the American ambassador, George Harvey, addressed the Pilgrims' Society dinner tonight at which three hundred persons assembled. The Duke of York represented the royal family.

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Alcohol Drink Kills 1, Blinds 5, Paralyzes 5 In Sacramento

Authorities of Capital City Are Aroused by Heavy Toll Taken and Demand Halt on Sale

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 20.—Robert Sherman of Knights Landing died in the County Hospital here today as a result of drinking denatured alcohol, according to a statement made public by Dr. E. S. Loizaux, superintendent of the hospital, in which an appeal was made to local druggists to halt the sale of the deadly liquid.

Ten other victims, five paralyzed and an equal number totally blind, have been brought to the County Hospital within the last few days after drinking the mixture of alcohol and wood-alcohol which is being sold as denatured alcohol. Dr. Loizaux declared that denatured alcohol is being sold by Japanese druggists here for 35 cents a pint and that all requests that they desist have been of no avail.

TO OPEN CAMPAIGN. Chief of Police Bernard McShane announced that he will institute a campaign to secure the passage of a city ordinance prohibiting the sale of denatured alcohol to anyone without a physician's prescription.

Dr. Loizaux said: Sherman was as fine a husky man as you would want to see. Lately he got to drinking denatured alcohol and was brought here February 2 in a partially paralyzed condition. In one pocket was found a half pint bottle of denatured alcohol bought at a Japanese drug store. He stated he had taken three bottles of the stuff in the past few days. He steadily grew worse and died this morning when the paralysis grew complete.

We have five men here stone blind, others lying paralyzed and two deaths within the past few weeks. It is terrible the havoc wrought by this stuff.

WITHIN THE LAW. The man who sells it at 25 cents for a half pint knows that it is going to be drunk, but because it is within the law, being labeled as poison, he can go right on and sell all he wants. Something should be done to stop the sale of it. The stuff sold is usually alcohol denatured with wood alcohol, which as all know, is a quick poison. It destroys the eyesight, paralyzes the nerves and eats out the intestinal tract and stomach.

Balfour Says 'No' To Peerage Offer

LONDON, Feb. 20.—(Special cable dispatch to Universal Service.)—All the offers of special honors that have been tendered to him for his work at the Washington conference have been rejected by A. J. Balfour, who headed the British delegation.

Last week King George offered him a peerage, but he declined the honor. This was the fourth time that he has refused a title.

Deputy Sheriffs in Ardmore Shot Down

ARDMORE (Okla.), Feb. 20.—Former Deputy Sheriff Bud Ballew and Bill Whitson, Deputy Sheriff E. J. Cowles and Robert P. Short and former Jailer E. J. Bird were wounded in a shooting affray in the county attorney's office at the Courthouse here this afternoon, when Cowles broke into the room where an altercation was in progress between Sheriff London and E. J. Martin, a county inspector.

The Best Writing Papers are Whiting Papers, Adv.

JEALOUSY IS VERSION OF NEGRO'S CLEW

Star Present Night Before Murder Destroyed Photos on Walls of Slain Man's Home in Scene

Servant Reveals Intimate Details of Love Affair Just Before Fatal Climax Occurred

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 20.—Wires between Los Angeles and the East burned today with the report that Henry Peavey, houseman to the late William Desmond Taylor, had made a confession of knowledge of the crime, implicating a noted film actress.

That such stories were utterly unfounded in fact were statements made by every official working on the Taylor case.

What Peavey said was that in his belief the cinema star in question had committed the crime. He had no positive knowledge, as said that such was the case—only a determined suspicion.

Henry Peavey, however, has made some particularly significant statements in addition to those he made when first questioned. These statements to officials and to "The Examiner" have brought about a decided change of mind for some of the officers.

First of all, Peavey stated that the film star whose name he mentioned was at the Taylor home the night before the murder.

Second, he says that some days before the murder she took down a number of her photographs from the walls of Taylor's home and cut them up with scissors.

Third, Peavey says that during a recent period when the actress was out of the city he delivered to the telephone office every night of her absence a telegram to her from Taylor.

These statements, fitting in with previous information in the hands of the police, throw entirely new light on the murder and make plausible, at last, a motive which the police heretofore suspected but could not find evidence enough to support.

Fourth, with the exception of the name of the actress, which cannot be divulged in this connection at the present time—is Peavey's new and startling story as related in the presence of a number of witnesses: "For one thing," he said, "you can't tell me that Taylor was not in love with this lady."

"Why, many's the time I saw him sit down in his living room, light a cigarette, take up a book and begin to read."

DREAM OVER PHOTO. "But he couldn't do it. He'd suddenly get up again and take down one of the lady's photographs from the wall, lean it up against a jar or something on the table and just sit there smoking and looking at the picture through his clouds of cigarette smoke."

"He'd look intently at the picture a while and then would take another puff of the cigarette and read a bit. But he couldn't keep up the reading. He'd have to stop again, look at the picture for minutes and keep smoking his head off."

"Then he'd repeat the whole performance again and again."

"Some time ago this lady was in the East."

"Every night I'd have to go and send her telegrams."

"I never knew what was in the messages because I can't read."

"But every night, as I was about to call it a day, Taylor would sit himself down and write her a telegram. Then he'd hand me the message."

"It got so after a while that the lady at the telephone office would expect me every night at that time."



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By Arthur Brisbane

It is said in ancient Jewish writings that what you give in health is GOLD; in sickness, SILVER; after death, LEAD.

Jews that have found wealth and freedom in America, and that have contributed so much to the prosperity of America, are now demonstrating their belief that GOLD is the thing to give.

Fourteen millions of dollars are needed, and fourteen millions of dollars unquestionably will be RAISED to help hundreds of thousands of Jewish war victims in Europe.

Chicago has already given two million dollars. Philadelphia in one week contributed one million dollars. New York City on the opening day of the campaign contributed a million dollars.

In Eastern Europe hundreds of thousands of pitiful, thin, little hands are stretched out empty; hundreds of thousands of miserable mothers walk the weary roads—homeless. There is not a human being, however cold, but would empty his pockets if he could actually SEE that horrible misery.

It takes little imagination to see it, and to give.

Next to the ability of Jews, their charity is the best answer to envious critics. They gave more than their share to all charities in the war—Red Cross, Y. M. C. A., Salvation Army, Knights of Columbus. They have already given forty-seven million dollars to help their co-religionists abroad. Now they will give fourteen millions more. When they start to raise money, they RAISE it.

Directors of the Better Business Association are gathered in St. Louis. Part of their work is to "make advertising honest." That's important, but more important is to make advertising EFFECTIVE.

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"Back to nature and primitive life" sounds pretty in JEAN JACQUES ROUSSEAU, but from history of past centuries and from DOUKHOBORS in British Columbia today you learn that "back to nature" means back to brutality and savagery.

The Doukhobors, who call themselves "CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY OF UNIVERSAL BROTHERHOOD," don't like taxation, and want to roam.

Their leader, Peter Vergein, an-

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MELLON READY TO BACK SALES TAX PLAN

SOLDIERS' AID BILL DOWN TO 'BRASS TACKS'

Measure Must Be Financed on Safe and Sane Plan, Is Attitude of Treasury Head

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—(By Universal Service.)—The sales tax to finance the soldiers' bonus will be recommended to the House Ways and Means Committee by the special subcommittee that is drafting a plan to raise the bonus money. This decision was reached by the subcommittee today after Secretary of the Treasury Mellon had submitted a sales tax plan to that body and had strongly opposed all other proposed methods of financing the bonus.

Secretary Mellon told the subcommittee that the sales tax is the only method by which the bonus can be financed. He reiterated his opposition to the passage of any bonus bill, but said if Congress passed the measure it must carry the sales tax.

Enactment of a bonus measure without any financing provision, Mellon said, would mean that the World War veterans would receive no bonus at all. The Treasury is not authorized, he said, to pay out money without a specific appropriation, and he declared that authority of Congress must be included in the measure.

Should Congress pass the bonus bill without a financing provision the Secretary said, a separate appropriation bill would be required before the veterans could be paid a cent.

The subcommittee, composed of Chairman Fordney and Representatives Longworth of Ohio, Treadway of Massachusetts, Copley of Illinois, Frear of Wisconsin, Bacharach of New Jersey, Timberlake of Colorado, Watson of Pennsylvania and Chandler of Oklahoma, discussed various sales tax proposals with Mellon.

The secretary submitted a sales tax plan under which a long list of specific articles would be taxed from 2 to 4 per cent. He proposed that the tax be imposed on the sale made by the manufacturer, producer and importer.

The treasury plan differs from most of the other sales tax proposals in that it would levy the tax on "specified" articles, while other sales or turnover tax propositions before the committee would levy a general tax on all sales except certain exempted articles.

Mellon estimated that under his sales tax plan \$500,000,000 annually could be raised. Under the Smoot plan of a sales tax of one per cent

SINN FEINERS AIM TO AVOID TREATY SPLIT

While Leaders Clash, Members Advocate Efforts for Unity; Delay in Elections Urged

DUBLIN, Feb. 21.—(By Associated Press.)—Arthur Griffith, president of the Dail Eireann, speaking at this evening's session of the Ard Fheis, or Sinn Fein convention, promised that if he received a guarantee from Eamonn de Valera's minority in the Dail not to obstruct the provisional government, he would accept De Valera's proposal to defer the general election until a constitution could be drafted.

By FORBES FAIRBAIRN, Staff Correspondent of the Universal Service

DUBLIN, Feb. 21.—(Special Cable Dispatch.)—Three thousand delegates drawn from all parts of Ireland to an extraordinary session of the Ard Fheis, the governing body of the Sinn Fein, met in Dublin today.

They met in order to decide whether to support De Valera or Michael Collins.

In the early hours of the session a majority apparently favored De Valera's policy to turn down the treaty with England.

Tonight following eight hours of continuous debate Collins has emerged victorious with at least 70 per cent of the delegates shouting: "Come on, Mick, we're for you."

At one time during the day it looked as though De Valera would triumph. Collins even admitting that it "looked like defeat." But, due to his open-handed and generous manner of dealing with the delegates he practically won the assembly to his banner.

After the long day of argument and confusion the meeting finally adjourned until tomorrow at 11 o'clock to let the leaders confer in the hope of preventing a break up of the Ard Fheis and at the same time postpone the elections until the constitution of the Free State is completed for presentation to the Irish people.

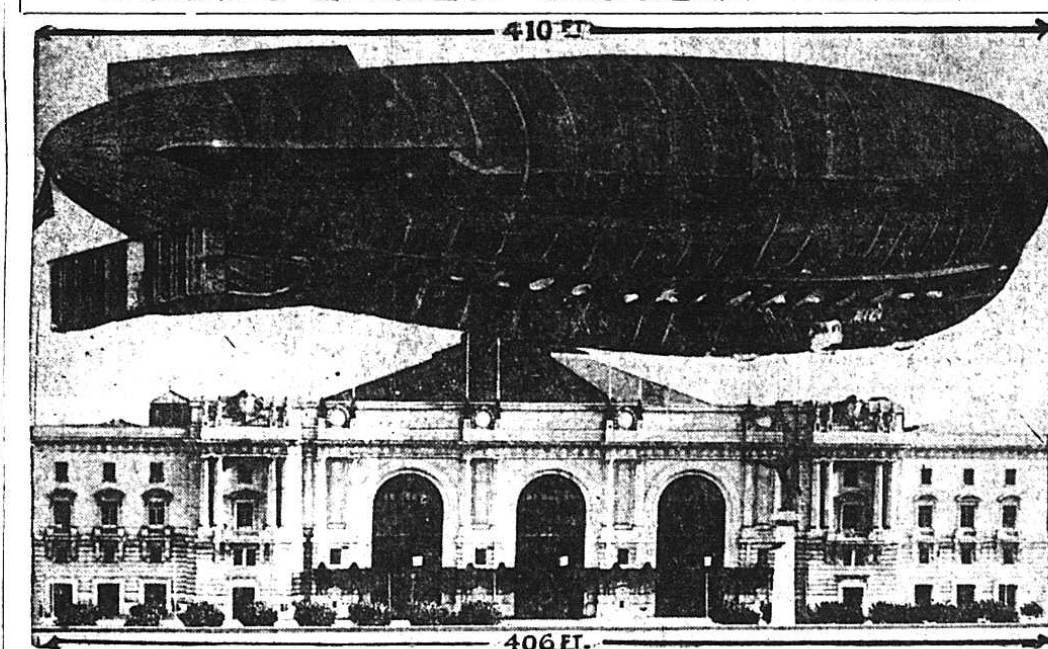
Collins agreed to this arrangement on the condition that De Valera would guarantee not to attempt to overthrow the provisional government. De Valera promised not to do anything except to exercise the privilege of criticism.

The debate likely will continue all day tomorrow.

The 2,000 delegates to the Sinn Fein conclave stamped their way to the Mansion House early today in a heavy snow storm. Hours before De Valera put in his appearance the round room was packed to suffocation.

De Valera made a great appeal to Sinn Fein to maintain its stand for

WORLD'S LARGEST DIRIGIBLE WRECKED



Some idea of the size of the Roma, tragically destroyed in combined plunge, explosion and fire yesterday, may be gained by this comparative photograph. The Roma, from stem to stern, measured an even 410 feet. The Civic Auditorium, one of San Francisco's largest buildings, is 406 feet in length. The Roma was one of the triumphs of Italian aircraft building, heralded as a super-conqueror of the air. Despite the disaster of yesterday, the American naval department plans to build still larger and more efficient craft of its kind, profiting by lessons taught in the destruction of yesterday.

MEXICO REVOLT PLOT WIDENED

SAN ANTONIO (Tex.), Feb. 21.—Discovery of ramifications of a huge conspiracy against the Obregon government in Torreón and belief that a conference of revolutionists was held in San Antonio yesterday attended by Esteban Cantu were the developments of the Mexican situation today.

While every effort to locate Cantu failed and no one admits participation in a conference, the rank and file of the old Carranzistas were very much in evidence about hotel lobbies yesterday.

Four army officers from Torreón have been arrested and sent to Mexico City following the uncovering of the conspiracy.

That Cantu is trying to consolidate the different factions under one flag and leadership is the belief of Mexican observers in the city.

He has a following among the Carranzistas of the city who are adverse to Antonio Villareal, who, they say, was always the enemy of Venustiano Carranza.

It is believed here that Cantu is the only leader who can draw the support of the Carranzistas. Cantu is believed, is trying to get all to follow Villareal, who he thinks is the strongest man in Mexico.

PARTIAL LIST OF DEAD IN U. S. BLIMP WRECK

NEWPORT NEWS (Va.), Feb. 21.—Officers and men from Langley Field tonight positively identified thirty-three out of the thirty-four men burned to death aboard the Roma. They were:

THORNELL, MAJOR JOHN.
MABRY, CAPTAIN DALE.
MCNALLY, MAJOR SERG. R. D.
HARRIS, SERGEANT L. M.
HILLIARD, STAFF SERGEANT LEWIS.
BEALE, STAFF SERGEANT MARION J.
RYAN, SERGEANT WILLIAM.
HOFFMAN, SERGEANT VIRGIL.
HEVORN, CORPORAL IRBY B.
KINGSTON, PRIVATE GUS.
BLAKLEY, VERNON.
THOMPSON, JOHN.
HILL, MARION.
STRYKER.
HANSON, ROBERT J.

CIVILIANS ABOARD.

NORFOLK (Va.), Feb. 21.—Seven civilians from McCook Field, Dayton, Ohio, were on board the Roma when she was destroyed today. According to an official list given out they were:

McNaure, Stryker, Hurley, Dworak, Henson, O'Laughlin and Harriman.

OMAHA (Nebr.), Feb. 21.—Lieutenant Welch entered the tenant Clarence Welch, 27 years old, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Welch of Papillion, Nebraska, was among the severely injured of the crew of the giant dirigible, Roma, which crashed in flames today.

TWO SURVIVORS TELL OF BLAST

NORFOLK (Va.), Feb. 21.—Albert Flores, who was in the observer's pit of the Roma, one of the few survivors, said:

"I felt the ship tilt up from the back and started to slide down. I tried to go back, down inside, but then I decided to come out forward again. By that time we hit the earth and I was thrown out on the ground."

Flores was burned about the hands and is suffering from shock. Major J. D. Beardon, who was in the control cabin at the time of the accident said, that the work of the officers in charge was excellent.

"Lieutenant Burt and Captain Mabry were at their wheels," the major said. "The ship gave a duck and I saw Lieutenant Burt pull with all his might on the elevation lever. He yelled out, 'she won't respond,' and then, 'cut the motors.'"

Ray Hurley, a civilian and engine expert, was aboard and suffered a slight sprain of one arm and burns about the hands. The trip was Hurley's first flight. "It was the first time I had ever been up," he said, "and when the Roma started to swing I didn't know anything was wrong. I thought she was acting all right; I didn't know difference. It was not until the machinery hit the ground that I realized we were in danger."

GIANT BALLOON PLUNGES 2000 FEET TO EARTH

Crew, Civilians, Army Men, Naval Officers Among Those Perishing in Flames

NORFOLK (Va.), Feb. 21.—(By the Universal Service.)—The bodies of thirty-four men, some burned beyond recognition, were dragged from a tangled mass of hot steel and burning rags and wood near the army supply base here this evening. A few hours before, the horrible death mass constituted the framework of the great army dirigible Roma, the world's largest and supposedly the safest, lighter-than-air flying craft.

A tiny tongue of flame burst from the ship as it maneuvered high in the air. Then, like a huge smoking rocket, it fell to earth, landing across high tension power wires through which were passing 2200 volts of electricity.

Instantly there was a great burst of flames. Like a giant, seething inferno the blazing mass caved half a hundred feet above terra firma.

Men sheathed in flame crawled from various parts of the great hulk of fire. They shrieked in heart-chilling agony as the flames licked their blackened faces and hands. Like blazing rockets some leaped from the inferno, taking one last chance for their lives, but they jumped in vain. One after another they were dashed to death on the jagged edges of a great pile of waste iron below.

Those who might have escaped met even a more terrible fate when the flaming hulk of the airship finally collapsed and fell almost directly upon them. One man who leaped for his life before the Roma finally crashed to the ground landed in a soft spot. This was Lieutenant Byron O. Burt. He escaped uninjured except for a few minor burns on his face and hands. Burt jumped when the Roma was about thirty feet in the air.

Ten others of the 43 aboard escaped death by leaping from the big airship after she finally settled to earth.

Captain Walter G. Reid, who stood by the ship to the last and did all he could to help the others aboard, came out of the inferno with only a few scars on his ears and left hand in commenting on the terrible ordeal tonight he said:

"I don't know why I am alive. It was all so sudden and unexpected that it seems impossible such a thing could have happened. I expect to awaken any moment and discover it was a terrible dream."

Captain Reid and Lieutenant Burt were the only line officers among the several aboard to survive.

Today

Future Airships.
Youth Defeats Age.
First, Get a Suit.
Society's New Wit.
—By Arthur Brisbane—

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THE WEATHER.

San Francisco, Cal.
and vicinity:
Thursday, Feb. 23.
Partly cloudy.
Rain, gentle winds.
mostly westerly.
E. A. BEALS,
Forecaster.

IRISH PARTY WINS PEACE, AVERTING BREAK CANADIAN TAX BONUS PLAN AGREED UPON; TAYLOR DEATH LAID TO 2 MEN, WOMAN

ROMA UNSAFE, VICTIM TOLD KIN IN LETTER

It Would Be Criminal Negligence
To Fly Blimp, Lt. C. E. Smythe
Wrote Father Before Tragedy

How Faulty Construction of
Dirigible Was Discovered
After First Test Revealed

CHICAGO, Feb. 22.—Lieutenant Clifford E. Smythe of Chicago, killed in the Roma disaster, wrote to his father just after the dirigible's recent trial flight to Washington that the airship was so unsafe that it would "be criminal negligence to fly her again without making changes in her construction," according to Dr. J. W. Nicholson, an intimate friend of the Smythe family, who made public the contents of the letter tonight. Lieutenant Smythe's father refused to comment.

"The Roma behaved so badly on her first trial over Washington that she was declared unsafe," said the letter, according to Dr. Nicholson, "and a majority of those on board were advised to make the return trip by train. If anything has been done to her, except to change the engines, I don't know what it is. It looks to me like criminal negligence to fly her without making changes in her construction, but what can I do?"

Robert Smythe Jr., Lieutenant Smythe's brother, said Lieutenant Smythe made the return trip from Washington by boat.

Report Says Dirigible Bag Was 'Rotten'; Probe

NEWPORT NEWS (Va.), Feb. 22.—Reports that the bag of the semi-rigid dirigible Roma, destroyed yesterday at the Norfolk army base with a loss of thirty-four lives, was rotten, will be probed by an army board of inquiry. Both officers and men early today declined to comment on the report.

The board of inquiry will be named today or tomorrow and there will be a full and complete investigation, officials declared.

Mechanics who worked on the Roma when she was first brought to Langley Field are indirectly quoted as saying that the bag was rotten. This is discounted by officers and enlisted men, who point out that the Roma was given several thorough tests by experts before she was ever sent up. They further declare that had the bag been rotten or construction faulty, trouble almost certainly would have developed on the trial flight to Washington some time ago, at Langley Field, ahead of one of the which time the Roma, raced back to worst storms of the year.

Frank A. Munsey gives you the latest news from London society. To be "witty" you invent the name of an imaginary book, and the name of an imaginary author, the two names combined provide the "wit."

For instance: "Have you read 'The Drunkard' by Maud Lynn? Maud Lynn—see the point?" Answer, "No, but I enjoyed 'The Horseman' by Rhoda Stride," etc.

Feeble minds can do it; that's why it's popular in "society."

Try it yourself. What would you suggest concerning that four-power treaty and its authors? Plenty of room for "wit" there.

Munsey gives other samples to encourage you. "The Whisper," by "Lena Cross"; "The Missed Breakfast," by "Primrose Late"; "The Closed Door," by "Willy Fawcett." (That one is rather hard; the explanation is "Willy Fawcett"—will

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Thornton "Jinx" Jenkins, aerial daredevil, who fell 2,700 feet to his death at San Jose yesterday.

STUNT FLYER DIES IN FALL

Before a crowd of more than 20,000 persons watching an aerial circus at San Jose yesterday, Thornton "Jinx" Jenkins, noted stunt aviator, fell 2,700 feet to the ground when a parachute failed to open. Jenkins landed on hard ground near the scene of the circus and was rushed to a hospital, where he died a short time later.

The accident occurred as the climax of an aerial circus being staged under the auspices of the San Jose aerial squadron.

With his pilot, Captain Lowell Yerex, Jenkins took the air shortly after 4 o'clock. The plane was of a late model and soared to a great height before Jenkins began his maneuvers. After walking the wings of the plane and doing other stunts, Jenkins seized a parachute and prepared to jump.

More than 20,000 spectators gazed up at him. Suddenly he leaped from the side of the plane and started downward. The parachute failed to open. Women fainted, children screamed as they realized what had happened.

Jenkins was seen to make repeated efforts to open the parachute as he came plunging downward. Falling, he appeared to lose consciousness. Jenkins landed on a dirt mound a short distance from the flying field. Spectators rushed to his assistance and an ambulance was summoned. It is believed that nearly every bone in his body was broken and that his skull was fractured.

Jenkins was 24. His home was at Los Angeles. He was a personal friend of Robert ("Bob") Hastings, aviator and daredevil, who fell to his death at an aerial circus held last January at the Marina.

New Date Announced For Genoa Conference

ROME, Feb. 22.—The Genoa conference, according to the newspapers, will open March 15 or 23 instead of March 8, as originally announced. The delay is said to be necessary in order to complete preparations.

New Hot Weather Mark in Chicago

CHICAGO, Feb. 22.—All records for the warmest Washington's Birthday since the weather bureau has been keeping tab on Chicago temperatures were broken when the mercury reached 67 degrees at 4 p. m. today.

When you think of writing, think of WHITING.—Adv.

SALES IMPOST TO RAISE FUND TO AID 'VETS'

House Committee Decides to
Follow 'Safe and Sane' Idea
of Financing Soldier Relief

Bill Prepared, but Will Not
Be Reported Before Next
Week; Then Rush Is Planned

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—(By Universal Service.)—The Canadian sales tax is to be followed by the House Ways and Means Committee in the soldiers' bonus bill that is now being prepared.

The special sub-committee of the Ways and Means Committee that will draft the financing provisions of the bonus measure decided today to construct the sales tax proposal upon the framework of the Canadian law.

The value of the Canadian plan was first brought to the attention of the American people through the efforts of William Randolph Hearst, who at his own expense sent a large delegation of Congressmen to the Dominion to study the plan at first hand.

The rates to be imposed in the bonus sales tax will be lower than those now in effect in Canada. All the foodstuffs and essentials of all kinds will be exempt, as they are in Canada.

The bill will not be completed until next week, or possibly longer. It was announced after today's meeting of the sub-committee.

MELLON PLAN REJECTED

The sales tax plan submitted by Secretary of the Treasury Mellon was rejected today. Mellon proposed, instead of levying a general sales tax such as under the Canadian law, with certain exemptions, that a long list of specified articles be taxed.

Members of the sub-committee at today's meeting declared that Secretary Mellon's plan would prove so unpopular that the bonus measure might be endangered.

A draft of a bill based on the Canadian act probably will be prepared by treasury experts and presented at the next meeting of the sub-committee on Friday.

Joseph S. McCoy, Government actuary, estimated today that the Canadian plan would raise \$350,000,000 in revenue annually. His estimate was based on the same rates and with the same exemptions as the Canadian law.

THE CANADIAN LAW

The Canadian law levies a tax of 1 1/2 per cent on all sales made by manufacturers or producers to wholesalers and jobbers, and 3 per cent if the sales are made by manufacturers or producers directly to retailers.

Exemptions include all foodstuffs, dairy products, vegetables, seeds and grains, sugar and molasses, leather, ores, metals and minerals of all kinds, fuel, logs and unmanufactured timber, newspapers and magazines, ships and repairs on ships and charitable gifts.

In writing a modified form of the Canadian act the sub-committee will levy only one tax on sales, thus eliminating any possibility of pyramiding the tax.

Nicola Declines Job To Form New Cabinet

TORONTO, Feb. 22.—(By the Associated Press.)—Enrico de Nicola, president of the Italian Chamber of Deputies, today declined the King's invitation to form a new cabinet to succeed the Bonomi ministry.

Signor de Nicola told his majesty he believed former Premier Orlando would be the most likely person to succeed in the formation of a new government, whereupon the King summoned Signor Orlando for a conference this afternoon.

Bond Issue to Rebuild War Ruined Altars

PARIS, Feb. 22.—(By the Associated Press.)—A bond issue for the reconstruction of 3,000 churches in the devastated areas of France has been authorized.

It will be the same type as other issues for reconstruction projects in devastated regions and will amount to 800,000,000 francs, bearing interest at 6 per cent, issued in 800 franc denominations and payable in thirty years. The issue will be guaranteed by the government.

A regular limited liability company has been formed to carry out the scheme.

An appeal for investors in these bonds has been signed by two archbishops and eight bishops of the devastated dioceses.

FAMED BRITON FACING TRIAL

By ROBERT J. PREW,
Staff Correspondent of the Universal Service

LONDON, Feb. 22.—(Special cable to Universal Service.)—The greatest cause celebre of the century in England will open in the Bow Street Police Court on March 3. On that date Horatio Bottomley, M. P., will appear in answer to a summons for "converting to his own use \$25,000, a part of the property of the Victory Bond Club on September 16, 1919."

The summons was issued upon the application of the director of public prosecutions at Bow street this morning. When it was served by a Scotland Yard inspector, Bottomley said:

"I am sorry that the case is limited to one charge. I hope when we get into court that the public prosecutor will add at least two charges which were made by Reuben Bigland against me at the Shropshire Assizes."

Last week Bigland was charged in the Shropshire Assizes with having incited three persons to extort money from the Wrekin during a by-election in the Wrekin division in November, 1920. The jury acquitted him after three minutes' deliberation. During his evidence Bigland alleged that Bottomley had made an arrangement to award Bigland a \$5,000 prize in a stock combination draw in 1918 and also that Bottomley had conspired with him to bring a collusive libel action for the purpose of obtaining an unreal vindication of his character.

The Bigland trial was the last of a series of Bottomley suits arising from a pamphlet which Bigland sold broadcast last year charging Bottomley with being the "greatest humbug and hypocrite in the country."

Although he was present at the Shropshire Assizes last week, Bottomley did not go into the witness box to refute Bigland's two charges.

The summons issued today results from the alleged mismanagement of funds amounting to nearly \$4,000,000 subscribed by the public in 1919 and 1920 to bond clubs organized by Bottomley. There is enormous interest in the case in every corner of the British Isles.

With the possible exception of Premier Lloyd George, Bottomley is the best known public man in Britain. He leads a small independent group in Parliament, is a brilliant orator and journalist, a popular race horse owner, and is reputed to be the finest lay lawyer in the world.

Japan Halts Work On Island Forts

TOKIO, Feb. 22.—(Special Cable Dispatch to Universal Service.)—It was learned tonight that orders went forth today from the army and navy departments to officers engaged in fortification work on Japan's various Pacific islands to cease work at once and to preserve strictly the status quo prescribed by the fortifications agreement entered into by the Washington conference.

Mob Binds, Flogs Victim in Alabama

ENSLEY (Ala.), Feb. 22.—Carroll E. Clark, reported to Ensley police late today that he was taken into custody last night, tied to a tree and flogged with a strap by unmasked men.

FREE STATERS AGREE WITH REPUBLICANS

Sinn Fein Convention Votes to
Postpone Election, Adjourn
for 3 Months, Blocking Clash

Peace Regarded as a Miracle;
Plan Gives Voters Right to
Pass on Constitution's Terms

DUBLIN, Feb. 22.—The Republican delegates to the Ard Fheis met at the Mansion House this evening and formulated plans for participation in the elections three months hence. An election committee was appointed and a movement was launched for the subscription of \$100,000 for a daily Republican newspaper, which, in De Valera's words, "will tell the truth regardless of party interests."

DUBLIN, Feb. 22.—(By the Associated Press.)—With dramatic suddenness, a peace agreement, reached at the eleventh hour between Free State and Republican leaders, was sprung on the Ard Fheis, or national Sinn Fein convention, today, and the huge gathering of delegates, impatient of any delay likely to endanger the treaty with Great Britain, gave it unanimous approval and adjourned for three months.

The general feeling was that, in preserving intact the party organization, something like a miracle had been worked.

The net result of the two days' meeting of the Ard Fheis, is to insure that no election can be held in Ireland for the next three months, and when it is held, the issue will not be simply for or against the treaty, but to determine the judgment of the people on the actual terms of a constitution.

DOUBT ON CONSTITUTION

Supporters of the Free State had contended throughout that the treaty enables Ireland to frame for herself a constitution giving all the essentials of freedom, but the Republicans have denied this and have quoted interpretations placed upon the treaty in speeches by Prime Minister Lloyd George and other British ministers.

The point on which the Republicans particularly demanded assurance was what the agreement meant by the free state constitution to be submitted to the electorate. Was it merely the constitution as drafted by the provisional government on its own interpretation of the treaty, or was it to be a final constitution which the British could not alter?

PROPAGANDA ALLOWED

It was made plain in the brief discussion which followed today's agreement that both sides were free in the interval to carry on propaganda in favor of their own aims.

The provisional government will be subject to criticism in the Dail, but today's agreement provides that a Dail majority cannot put the supporters of the provisional government out of office. It is hoped the agreement will check the lack of discipline in the Republican army.

How serious the position has become was evidenced by announcements from certain brigades in Tipperary and Limerick, pronouncing against the treaty, declaring the free state government inimical to the established republic and repudiating allegiance to the present Dail Eireann.

Harvey Toadies To British Flag, Says Sen. Reed, Urging Recall

Ambassador Should Be Erased
From Memory, Declares Solon
Denouncing Entangling Pacts

CHICAGO, Feb. 22.—A denunciation of George Harvey, American Ambassador to the Court of St. James, in which he urged that Ambassador Harvey be recalled and his "recent performances erased from the recollection of man," was made by Senator James A. Reed of Missouri tonight in a speech before the Chicago council, Friends of Irish Freedom.

"America has produced two great Georges—George Washington, the father of his country, and George Harvey, duly accredited ambassador to the Court of St. James," he said, continuing:

"Washington was America's greatest patriot, Harvey is England's greatest toady. Washington expressed the soul of America; Harvey the spirit of sycophancy and toadyism."

Washington addressed his country beneath the American flag; Harvey spoke to an audience of ex-patriots, toadies, Tories and nobles beneath the union jack of Great Britain. Washington sleeps in honor, his memory fresh with the passing years. Harvey ought to be recalled and his recent performances erased from the memory of man."

QUOTES WASHINGTON

In 1792 Washington said: "Why forego the advantages of our peculiar situation? Why quit our own to stand upon foreign ground? Why, by interweaving our destiny with that of any part of Europe, endanger our peace and prosperity in the toils of European ambition, rivalry, interest, humor and caprice?"

On February 20, 1922, George Harvey, speaking of the relations which, he asserted, had been recently established between Great Britain and America through the Washington conference, said: "Not liberty alone, not union alone, but liberty and union, one and inseparable, was the most striking dictum of America's greatest Senator on America's greatest need, and such in fairly accurate parallel is the chief requirement of our two working and trading countries today."

I do not preach hatred for the British; I preach love for America. I am willing England should run her course. We seek no interference there. But we will be true to ourselves. We will steer by the stars Washington and the revolutionary fathers gave to the skies of liberty."

John D. Gives London \$2,000,000 for School

LONDON, Feb. 22.—The minister of health announces the government's grateful acceptance of an offer of \$2,000,000 by the Rockefeller Foundation towards the building and equipping of a school of hygiene in London, provided the government undertakes the maintenance of the school.

Poincare and Lloyd George to Confer

PARIS, Feb. 22.—(By the Associated Press.)—Prime Minister Lloyd George of Great Britain and Premier Poincare of France will meet somewhere in France Saturday for a conference. The principal subjects for discussion will be the agenda and the date of the Genoa conference.

U. S. Motion Picture Commission Proposed

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—A bill providing for establishment of a Federal motion picture commission, with censorship powers over all films entered in interstate commerce, was introduced in the House today by Representative Appleby, Republican, New Jersey.

VICTIM SLAIN BY DOPE GANG, POLICE TOLD

Suspect, Arrested in Detroit,
Tells Sheriff He Got \$900
for Serving as Chauffeur

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 22.—Police officials here tonight received from the sheriff's office in Detroit, Mich., detailed description of a location here in which, according to a statement made by Harry M. Fields, under arrest there, to the Detroit official, the pistol with which William Desmond Taylor was slain might be found. After a protracted search local police reported that the weapon had not been discovered. They refused to make public the place of their search.

DETROIT (Mich.), Feb. 22.—(By Associated Press.)—Two men and a woman plotted the murder of William Desmond Taylor, Los Angeles film director, who was shot to death February 1, according to the reputed statement of Harry M. Fields, now under arrest here. Sheriff Irving J. Coffin tonight stated the suspect told him he knew nothing of the motive behind the slaying, and that his only interest in it was the \$900 he received for driving the automobile in which the plotters went to Taylor's house to kill the director.

After the shooting, Fields is said to have stated, he drove the men and woman back to a resort, which was characterized as a "hop joint," where the murder was planned. He was paid then, it was added, and left Los Angeles at once.

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 22.—William D. Taylor was the victim of a conspiracy entered into by two men and two women and executed by one of the men.

He was marked for assassination because he had taken steps to expose them and other traffickers in drugs, his purpose being to protect a motion picture actress in their power and of whom he was extremely fond.

This extraordinary summary of motive, plot and tragic denouement is the substance of the statement given to Sheriff Irving G. Coffin of Detroit today by Harry N. Fields, who, in an extended description of the murder setting, gave the officers the names of ne persons whom he has charged with participating.

SEARCH ON FOR PLOTTERS

Officers tonight were combing the city seeking the persons mentioned in the remarkable story.

The more attention is given the revelation that Taylor some months ago sought information as to the best means to proceed against the dope peddlers and sent a friend to a high official specifically accusing certain persons.

The entire interest of the police and Sheriff's officers was centered in the new angle, other leads for the moment being set aside.

Whether his story is true or false, none of the investigators have means of knowing; hence while the checking-up process goes forward judgment is suspended.

SKELTON OF A STORY

It is little more than the skeleton of a story which came here from the prisoner in the Wayne county jail, Detroit, up to a late hour. Arrested on a forged charge, it speedily developed that he had a criminal career which had required at least two aliases, Sam Cohan being one, and "Harry the Chink" the other. He displayed a familiarity with

Today

Theory—Not Practice.
What Cave Men Saw.
A New Shakespeare.
Chinaman Too Polite.

—By Arthur Brisbane—

A man once treasurer of the United States fails as a banker, his last penny is gone. His partner, ten dollar a week clerk, shares his grief.

You may wonder that a man knowing so little about finance should be chosen treasurer of the United States; however, a man may be excellent in theory, worthless in practice. The man that invented the sewing machine couldn't sew. The inventor of the spinning jenny was no weaver or spinner. Abraham Lincoln won the Civil War against Lee, one of the greatest generals in history, yet Lincoln was no soldier.

A few Wall street brokers failed yesterday. That was bound to happen, after a long dreary pull. It doesn't mean much. Far more interesting are cave man drawings on stone, discovered by Dr. Cau-doin of Paris.

They represent accurately that wonderful group of suns, the Pleiades, that seem so close together and are billions of miles apart.

What puzzles pre-historic experts is that cave men saw and accurately drew ten stars in the Pleiades whereas the naked eye sees but seven—unless you go to the top of a mountain where the air is very clear.

Did cave men climb to the mountain tops to study the stars? Was the atmosphere clearer twenty thousand years ago than at present. Did those ancient ancestors of ours have sight better than our own, comparable to that of the eagle? Those are questions that agitate the scientists.

Study the Pleiades, they are worth it. The astronomer Flammarion in Paris a few years ago told this writer that the telescope instead of seeing only ten stars in Pleiades sees at present about forty thousand stars there, and there are more. He added, as well he might, "we are only on the threshold of knowledge."

A portrait of Shakespeare believed to have been painted in his life time has been identified in London. Taken thirty-three years ago from a heap of rubbish in a cellar, it had been lying behind a piano.

Many would give a great deal for that portrait if genuine. After Shakespeare died his wife or a daughter that could neither read nor write, disposed of all his papers and letters including possibly unpublished plays as "old waste paper." What would that "junk" be worth?

Chett from China, promenading in Seattle, Wash., saw a policeman and bowed courteously twice. The policeman arrested him. Arrived at the police station, Chett bowed in rapid succession to every policeman, from the presiding judge down. The learned policemen immediately sent him to the insanity board.

Through an interpreter Chett explained that he was only being polite and bowing to grandeur. Now he is free again and will learn to stare at uniforms without bowing, in the American way.

Certain mineral salts in vegetables and meat are necessary to life. So necessary are they that if you ate food, plenty of it, without such salts you would die sooner than if you ate nothing at all and took only pure water. Dr. Copeland, health official of New York city, gives this good advice: "Cook potatoes with their jackets on to preserve the valuable mineral salts."

Many in Ireland and on American farms have done that always and have eaten the skins as well as the inside of the potatoes. About three-quarters of Americans cut away 20 per cent of the potato with the skin—being in such a hurry—then boil out the mineral salts and get nothing but starch.

A pendulum swings one way, then the other. This happens everywhere with everything. First it goes up, then it comes down. With union labor just now, the pendulum is swinging against labor. Five hundred thousand men of the Amalgamated Engineering Union are locked out in England. Employers say they want to manage their own business. One city after another in the United States goes practically on the open shop basis.

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the Dailies

REG. U.S. PAT. OFF.

THE WEATHER.
San Francisco, Cal.
and vicinity:
Friday cloudy,
probably showers,
gentle northwest
wind.
WILLSON,
Forecast.



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PLAN TO GIVE SIMS DEWEY'S RANK BARED; 3 ESCAPE IN SAN QUENTIN PRISON BREAK

RELIGIOUS SERVICE AIDS PRISON DASH

Convicts Make Rope of Coats and Overalls and Flee Over Walls Amid Chapel Rites

Three at Large and Fourth Captured; Armed Guards and Deputies' Posse in Pursuit

Timing their break with the opening of religious services in the prison chapel, three convicts escaped San Quentin penitentiary last night.

They used an improvised rope made of coats and lowered themselves over the wall.

Two hours later, when their absence was noted, a great manhunt, organized throughout Marin county, was in progress.

A fourth prisoner was captured as he tried to walk out in the garb of a minister.

The prisoners who evaded the guards are:

Richard A. Palmer, serving five-year term from San Francisco for robbery of fashionable guests at leading hotels.

Frank Claussen, serving ten-year term from Alameda county for forgery.

Willis R. Knowles, serving term from San Francisco for check frauds.

The man captured is Herbert Knowles, serving term from Marin county for theft of automobile.

\$25,000 GEM THIEF.

Palmer was arrested at the St. Francis Hotel in 1919 after a sensational attempt to escape at the St. Francis Hotel. He is reported to have robbed guests at the Fairmont, St. Francis, Palace and Cliff of gems worth \$25,000.

Claussen, police records show, escaped from three prisons before last night's break. He is listed as a fugitive from Folsom, Marquette, Mich., and Menard, Ill.

Knowles was an ex-convict, prison authorities say, when arrested at the fashionable Hillcrest Apartments, San Francisco, in 1920, while posing as a wealthy man and cashing checks for thousands of dollars at the leading stores of San Francisco.

Molson was a major in the British army, and while in the air service during the world war bagged 11 enemy planes. He carried four decorations for heroic feats in France and Gallipoli.

LONG START ON POSSE.

The escape of the three men was not noted until a check of their cells had been completed at 10 o'clock.

Together with Molson and many other prisoners they had received permission to attend the services in the chapel last night, but, according to the guards, they did not show up.

The check, which was not possible until two hours after the opening of the services, gave the fugitives a two-hour start on the man-hunters.

Squads of armed guards and scores of deputy sheriffs are scouring Marin County hills under the leadership of Captain of the Guards Myron Clark and Sheriff J. J. Keating.

All trains passing through Marin County are being searched, particularly at the Green Brae station where it is believed they may be lurking.

The religious services are conducted fortnightly at the prison for convicts of the Episcopalian faith. The men receive special permission to attend and are not checked until after the conclusion of the services when they are locked in their cells.

The escape was made from the top of the blowers house where an electric fan ventilates the jute mill.

The improvised rope was found hanging over a 20 foot wall, after an exhaustive search of the prison, when the men failed to return to their cells.

Duped of \$375,000?



Mrs. Lillian D. Duke, divorced wife of "tobacco king," who charges broker defrauded her of entire personal fortune.

DUKE FORTUNE STOLEN, CHARGE

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—Alleged to have defrauded thirteen or fourteen society women of at least \$500,000, Alfred M. Lindsay, a broker of South Nyack, is being sought to face charges that he made off with the entire personal fortune of Mrs. Lillian D. Duke, divorced wife of James B. Duke, the "tobacco king."

Mrs. Duke charges Lindsay got all her cash, \$325,000, and jewelry worth \$50,000.

Papers filed at New City, N. Y., allege that Lindsay, who was known also as Alfred E. Post and Richard Doe, with Mrs. Lindsay, said to have gone by the name of Elsie Behr, learned Mrs. Duke was a woman easily influenced and deceived and they deliberately contrived to take advantage of her.

Mrs. Duke's attorneys said tonight she had suffered a nervous breakdown.

Lindsay's home, an extensive country villa at South Nyack, is one of the show places along the Hudson river. Mrs. Duke declared in her complaint that it had been bought and improved with money she lent Lindsay.

Another complainant against the missing broker was Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Arnold, a widow. She charged several days ago that he had obtained \$30,000 from her on his representations that he, Percy Rockefeller and George F. Baker were associated and had nightly meetings to "fix up the market" for the next day's trading. Rockefeller and Baker denied they knew him.

Mrs. Arnold obtained an order from Supreme Court Justice Bijur directing the sheriff of Rockland county to hold Lindsay's home and its contents pending the outcome of her suit to recover her money.

Lindsay was prominently identified with civic movements in South Nyack, taking a conspicuous part in Red Cross and other drives, and was always himself a large contributor.

**Hays to Take Up
Movie Job March 6**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—Postmaster General Hays, returning to Washington today after spending several weeks in Florida, said he would assume his new duties as director general of the National Motion Picture Producers' Association, Inc., March 6.

SOLON MOVES FOR OREGON RECOGNITION

Are Lives to Be Imperiled in Mexico for the Oil Ring? House Is Asked by Connally

Texas Representative Tells Colleagues Nothing Stands in Way of United States' Action

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—(By Universal Service).—Recognition of the Oregon government as an assurance of protection for American lives and property in Mexico was demanded by Representative Tom Connally of Texas in a powerful speech in the House this afternoon.

The pronouncement is expected to focus attention on the real motives underlying the State Department's refusal to restore friendly relations.

The whole question, Representative Connally showed, narrows down to whether the influence of oil interests in the United States is going to dominate this government's negotiations with Mexico or whether the lives and property of all Americans in the neighboring country shall be imperiled for the benefit of the rich petroleum group.

The present government, which has preserved order and stability in a greater measure than at any time since the fall of Diaz in 1910, the House was told, must be recognized or its overthrow is inevitable and no successor can survive without the favor and support of the United States.

The point, therefore, is that this country can aid in re-establishing tranquility and prosperity across the Rio Grande, or adhere to a policy that can have no other result than continuation of the revolutionary troubles which for twelve years have cost citizens of the United States so dearly in lives and property and trade. Mr. Connally explained.

FIRST BLOW STRUCK.

Today's address was the first of a series Connally plans to make on the Mexican situation. His next speech will deal with the plot of powerful oil men in this country to foment revolution against the Oregon Government and his resolution for a Congressional investigation of this conspiracy. The resolution now is held up in the Rules Committee, in spite of public statements by President Harding and the State Department, denouncing the activities of the plotters and favoring an inquiry.

In a brief speech supporting the demand for recognition, Representative Meyer London of New York declared the United States is "playing the role of hypocrite and tyrant" in insisting upon the surrender of Mexico's sovereign rights.

Representative Connally said: "The time has come for the United States to sit up and take notice in respect to the relations between the United States and Mexico. I believe the time has come when the United States should act on this great question and not permit it to drift, drift into turmoil and revolution and uprisings that threaten the American people and the liberties of our own people. There can be no plausible ground on which this Government may longer refuse to recognize the Republic of Mexico."

"Only two questions now remain between the United States and Mexico. They are:

"First, the foreign debt, which the American government wants paid, and, of course, it ought to be paid, and which Mexico says it's going to pay. The other controversy is the oil tax. Oregon, President of Mexico, wants to pay the foreign debt, but he wants to use the oil taxes with which to pay it. The men who hold the Mexican bonds want these bonds paid, but they do not want them paid with oil taxes."

HOUSE BILL OPENS FIGHT ON HARVEY

Probe of Statements Made by Ambassador at Balfour Dinner in London Is Asked

"Attempt to Cast Aspersions on Patriotism and Ideals of American Citizens" Charged

WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—A resolution designed to bring about the recall from England of Ambassador Harvey was introduced today by Representative Ryan, Republican of New York.

The measure proposes a congressional investigation of statements made by the Ambassador while abroad with a view of having him detached from his post in London.

Ryan quoted extracts from press reports of Harvey's address at the dinner recently given in London in honor of A. J. Balfour, a British delegate to the Arms conference, and also referred to remarks made by the Ambassador soon after his arrival in England in reference to the motives which prompted the United States to enter the war.

Containing that various statements of Harvey "reflected discredit on the aims and ideals of the spirit that actuates the citizens of the United States and constitute an attempt to cast aspersions upon the patriotism and ideals of American citizens," Ryan asserted that "the attitude" of the American Ambassador has "at all times shown him to be a proponent of England's aims and ambitions rather than those of the country he is supposed to represent."

TO PROBE STATEMENTS.

The Ryan resolution provides for the appointment of a special committee representing the House, in which branch of Congress recall and impeachment proceedings must be initiated. The committee would investigate the reported statements of Ambassador Harvey, and if they were found to have been correctly reported the committee would take action looking toward a recall of the Ambassador.

The text of the resolution, which was referred to the House Rules Committee, follows:

Whereas the press reports set forth that George Harvey, American Ambassador to Great Britain, in his speech before the Pilgrim Society dinner, in honor of A. J. Balfour, to the effect that "Be it known at the outset that for the generosity thus implied the United States has paid 12 1/2 per cent."

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"I Am Much Pleased," Sims Tells Leighton

The following is a letter from Admiral Sims to John L. Leighton, who was active in organizing a campaign of propaganda designed to bring about the elevation of Sims to the rank of admiral:

NAVAL WAR COLLEGE,
Newport, Rhode Island.

In reply address
the President
Naval War College
and refer to No.

21 January, 1922.

My Dear Leighton:

Your letter from Cincinnati just received, and you may be sure that I am much pleased with the information contained therein, particularly with the attitude of the PHILADELPHIA PUBLIC LEDGER, and also with the attitude of my good friend Wile. I have not heard from him on the subject, but expect to any day.

I was somewhat puzzled making out some of the words in your letter. Doubtless you have been told that your handwriting is at times a little bit illegible. In any further letters you may write, please be so kind as to write legible any proper names, as these may be important. There was a proper name mentioned, apparently in connection with a newspaper, in the last line or so of your letter, and I am not at all sure as to what it was. I rather think the name was Walsh.

Please excuse me for criticising your handwriting, but it is really important that a proper name should be easily identified.

Very sincerely yours,
Wm. S. Sims.

Mr. John L. Leighton,
105 East 53rd Street,
New York, N. Y.

Your telegram from Milwaukee rec'd since dictating this it is fine.

418 German Ships Are Sold by Allies

LONDON, Feb. 23.—Lord Inchcape's report on the sale of former German ships on behalf of the Allied Reparations Commission, made public today, shows that 418 ships, aggregating 2,500,000 tons, were sold for 20,076,216 pounds sterling. Expenses in connection with their sale amounted to 12 1/2 per cent.

JAPANESE RIOT FOR SUFFRAGE

TOKIO, Feb. 23.—(By the Associated Press).—Disorders broke out in Tokio this evening in connection with demonstrations in favor of the extension of the suffrage. By 9 o'clock tonight a total of fifty arrests had been made, and 100 persons had been more or less battered by police reserves who were called to quell the disturbances.

The grounds of demonstrators, who had been peaceful during the day, became disorderly at 7 o'clock this evening, when 1,000 persons tried to break through the police lines and reach the headquarters of the Kensei-Kai party, or opposition.

The diet adjourned for the day at 7:45 o'clock and its members, escorted by a heavy guard of police, ran the gauntlet of the jeering thousands gathered outside.

Most of the arrests were made during a later clash, when Kensei-Kai adherents, who had been at the party's headquarters listening to speeches of their leaders, emerged from the building.

It was estimated today that 30,000 petitions for the extension of the suffrage had been filed in the diet since the beginning of the recent suffrage agitation.

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FRIENDS SEEK PROMOTION OF REAR ADMIRAL

Emissary Travels About U. S. in Attempt to Win Support for "Britain's Worshipper"

Letters Disclose Definite Drive to Elevate Navy Officer Despite His War Record

"The Examiner" prints today an interesting account of an effort being made by the friends of Rear Admiral Sims, with the knowledge and approval and perhaps with the support of the Rear Admiral, to secure for him the honor of admiral.

This distinguished position of admiral of our navy has heretofore been held in permanent rank only by Farragut, Porter and Dewey. In 1916 the Congress provided for four admirals and three vice admirals, but these are held only temporarily by officers while in actual command of our fleets.

While the propagandists who are laboring for Admiral Sims' elevation admit in their letters that Sims was never in actual contact with the enemy, they seem to think that some qualifications of his entitle him to this elevation.

Inasmuch as the only two occasions upon which Rear Admiral Sims came conspicuously before the American people were occasions on which he was reprimanded for public addresses in London which displayed humiliating subservience to Great Britain, the people of the United States will probably not sympathize with the plan of Mr. Sims and his propagandists to secure him the rank which would place him next to our two great American admirals—Farragut and Dewey—who did come into contact with the enemy and who did not humiliate the American people by snobbish speeches abroad.

Mr. Sims' direct knowledge of the efforts of the propagandists is established by a letter from him to Mr. John L. Leighton, one of the traveling agents of the propagandists—a copy of which is printed—and by the reply of Mr. Leighton directly to this letter of Sims, which is printed in the course of the text.

Another letter, a copy of which is printed, is from Mr. Livingston Davis, explaining the claims of Sims to the rank he covets.

Other letters indicate some of the detailed activity of Mr. Leighton, traveling agent of the propagandists.

The whole incident throws an illuminating sidelight upon the ambitions and the mental make-up of Admiral Sims, and the peculiar activities of his supporters.

Here is a man, born in Canada, who has rendered no extraordinary service to this country, who has twice been reprimanded by the government of the United States for undue subservience to England, and who is conniving with propagandists to elevate himself to a position close to that held by only two of our truest and greatest Americans, and who is endeavoring to secure this exalted rank by newspaper agitation and political pressure rather than by the usual avenues of service and governmental recognition.

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Today

First Hero, Then Nuisance.
Bob It, Forget It.
Some Eat, Some Worship.
Smiling War Party.
By Arthur Brisbane

Frank A. Munsey, in deep grief and big letters, pulls this on the front page of his New York "Herald":

A HUNDRED BILLIONS OF DOLLARS BEFORE WE ARE OUT OF DEBT AND NOW CONGRESS PROPOSES TO MULCT US FOR FIVE BILLIONS MORE FOR THE BONUS.

The figures are correct enough, but the wailing is not. If it was worth one hundred billions, principal and interest, to win the war, is 5 per cent of the amount too much for the men that won it? Five billions is 5 per cent of a hundred billions. Munsey would give 5 per cent for any important service. It's low interest. He pays advertising agents 15 per cent. Prosperity calls the soldier a hero in time of trouble, and a damned nuisance afterward.

In Chicago every day, 2,500 women, from girlhood to grandmotherhood, have their hair bobbed. In factories, on Atlantic City's board walk, in Hollywood, Palm Beach and Brooklyn, everywhere, more and more hair is bobbed. Some merchants, clergymen and others protest, but not wisely. Long hair is a nuisance.

It was useful, twelve thousand years ago, in the stone age, to cover the young baby's head resting on the mother's shoulder. It is useful here and there as a handle, for an angry husband. Men believe they think it beautiful, but Freud can prove that's imagination.

If long hair goes, it may take foolish hats and dresses with it. When men wore long hair they dressed foolishly. Bobbed hair will save time. Every woman could read Plato in the time she wastes twisting around her finger wisps of hair pulled from her comb, and deposited in a paper cornucopia, to be made later into a rat "all my own hair."

If every woman read Plato she would know enough to have her children after thirty and select a father old enough to have a brain full grown, not a mere fox trot record. Time is our only possession. Bobbed hair saves it—bob your hair. But then, forget it, as men do. Don't fuss over it.

Many a king, emperor, czar, sultan, pharaoh has found ruling made easy by religion. Since men learned that crowds could be frightened by threats, or charmed with promises about the hereafter, ruling has been easier. "I must have a spiritual gendarmery," said Napoleon.

England's Emperor-King, mild person, hangs on in India, thanks to religion—to religious hate in this case.

About seventy million Mohammedans and 215,000,000 Hindus divide India's man power. Mohammedan's followers are fighters, therefore stronger.

The Mohammedans eat meat and devour, when they can get her, the cow sacred to the Hindus. With 70,000,000 eating the cow and 215,000,000 worshipping that cow, King George rules while his subjects hate. It's all for the best, possibly. Hindus that worship a cow and Mohammedans that believe in Mohammed's miracles are hardly fit to rule themselves.

Northcliffe speaks of Japan's "smiling war party," excellent description. Always smiling, bowing, never sleeping, the Japanese will make us think some day.

Northcliffe wonders what we are going to do about "the three thousand Philippine islands with their eighty languages."

The Washington conference, just ended, did what it could to hand those islands over to Japan by guaranteeing not to strengthen their fortifications.

At that conference, by the way, you didn't hear anything about England leaving unfortified Gibraltar, the great rock that gives her control of the Mediterranean, enabling her, if she chooses, to forbid France, Italy, Greece, Turkey and all the Balkans to send any ships out into the Atlantic. Regulating poor old Uncle Sam was the job there and it went through, well greased.

One Congressman demands a press agent for the House. Newspapers do not tell what happens in Congress, says he. They do tell

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THE WEATHER.

San Francisco, Feb. 24.—(Special Cable Dispatch.)—A mad wave of dueling of a fury unknown for decades past is sweeping the ranks of Roman aristocracy. The clash of thrusting sabers has mounted into such a deafening chorus of hate that even the Sacred walls of the Vatican have been penetrated. The new Pope, Pius XI, is said to have raised his voice in protest, admonishing members of the aristocracy to respect the laws prohibiting dueling.



HARDING O.K.'S 4-POWER PACT RESERVATION

SIMS PROMOTION EXPOSE STIRS CAPITAL; NEW HUNT IN TAYLOR SLAYING OPENS IN S.F.

PROFESSOR QUILTS U.C. IN STADIUM ROW

Faculty Splits Over Putting Athletic Bowl in Strawberry Canyon; Rieber Resigns

Head of Philosophy Department Leaves U. C. After 19 Years' Service Because of Location

A split in the University of California faculty, due to the decision of the regents to locate the new football stadium in Strawberry Canyon, yesterday came to a climax in the resignation of Professor Charles Henry Rieber, head of the philosophy department and one of the most noted men of intellect in America.

Prof. Rieber's resignation, after nineteen years of service in the State University, fell like a thunderbolt in the ranks of collegiate officials heading the memorial stadium fund drive.

It was announced at a meeting of residents of the exclusive hillside district overlooking Strawberry Canyon. The meeting was held at the home of Eugene Joralemon, faculty member, at 7 Panoramic way. In attendance were professors and influential dwellers of the protesting neighborhood.

FOR BEAUTY'S SAKE.

Professor Rieber took the attitude that to mar the classic shades of Strawberry canyon by cutting down the live oaks and grading the contour to the shape of a gigantic oval covered with redwood "bleachers" would amount to a desecration of the most beloved beauty spot on the university campus.

He refused, it was stated, to continue any longer his connection with an institution that showed such disregard of nature and of tradition. Incorporated in the hot resolution of protest adopted by the meeting was also a protest against the nearness of the proposed stadium to the Hearst Greek theater.

The echoes of frantic "rooting" and the clash of moleskins against leather would fit but rudely. It was set forth, with the soft strains of music or the fiery lines of Shakespeare resounding in the theater close at hand.

OTHER PROTESTS.

The resolutions also referred to the criticism of the State University that might arise from handing over so important a part of the campus to purposes of organized athletics.

Protest of a similar vein was recently voiced by Professor Chauncey W. Wells of the English department in a public statement deploring the ruin of Strawberry canyon.

The decisions of the regents at their last meeting to abandon the original plans for a concrete stadium partly on and partly off the campus, at the head of Ellsworth street, and to build in Strawberry canyon instead, came as the result of trouble with the property owners of the original site.

It was pointed out that the canyon offered all ideal natural site for a stadium similar to that at Stanford, and costing but a fraction of the million dollars of the first-planned double-decked structure.

The decision brought joy to Berkeleyans, who ordinarily see the intercollegiate football games from the scenic heights of "Tight Hill," since the canyon site is surrounded

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ARTISTS FACING PRIVATION

Mordkin, famous Russian dancer, and his wife, who were discovered in bread-line at Tiflis while seeking children.



GREAT DANCERS NEAR FAMINE

Mordkin and his wife, famous Russian dancers, are starving at Tiflis, according to a cablegram received yesterday by the San Francisco Committee on Near East Relief.

Emaciated and exhausted from lack of nourishment and a futile search after their children, the artist and his dainty wife were found almost perishing while standing in a bread line waiting for food from a Near East Relief kitchen.

Workers among the relief workers cared for the couple, and then they returned to the search for the children, who have been lost in the horrors of the famine-stricken country. Fear was expressed that they may have been numbered among the thousands of victims in the famine area.

Mordkin and Mme. Mordkin left the United States when the famine conditions became known as acute to return to Georgia, Mordkin's birthplace, where their children were interned. They went by way of Constantinople to Batum, where they witnessed much of the suffering in the province. Stark famine was claiming its victims by thousands.

The couple's last dollar was spent after futile search in Batum to get to Tiflis, where they had hoped to find their children. Failing there, they knew not which way to turn until the relief organization succored the couple.

CLERK HELD IN MILLION HAUL

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Losses totalling \$1,000,000 by the Wall Street exporting firm of Alexander and Baldwin, Inc., which escaped notice because the concern was busy and apparently prosperous, were revealed today through the arrest last night of Richard Kretzmer, the cashier, charged with the theft of \$119,000.

John T. Dooling, the firm's attorney, stated in court that the firm had suffered this heavy loss through the operations of the men with whom Kretzmer was said to be associated.

The thefts had been going on for two years, it was said, and became known only recently when it was found checks were being issued in return for worthless trade acceptances.

Notables to Direct Caruso Foundation

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Walter Damrosch, musical conductor; Antonio Scotti, singer; Otto H. Kahn, financier; and George W. Wickersham, former United States attorney general are among the twenty men and women named as incorporators of the Caruso American memorial foundation.

A fund of \$1,000,000 will be raised to encourage the musical education of students and artists for the purpose of developing the highest musical talent.

The Best Writing Papers are Whiting Papers—Adv.

L. A. DETECTIVE SENT HERE ON SECRET ANGLE

Motion Picture Actress, Who Ranks High in Profession, Involved by Detroit Prisoner

Fresh Details of Death Conspiracy Supplied by Fields Given Credence by Police

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 24.—(By Associated Press.)—Detective Sergeant Herman Cline, who has been detailed to the Taylor murder case from the beginning, is reported to have gone to San Francisco on an angle which has not been made public. His departure followed a conference with Charles A. Jones, formerly chief of police, and now retained by a group of motion picture people to aid in the inquiry.

DETROIT, Feb. 24.—(By Associated Press.)—A motion picture actress who ranks high in the profession was one of the four persons who plotted the murder of William Desmond Taylor, film director, according to the story of Harry M. Fields, under arrest here, Sheriff Irving J. Coffin, of Wayne County announced late today.

The sheriff withheld the woman's identity.

Fresh details of the alleged conspiracy which brought about the killing of Taylor, as given by Fields, were declared by Sheriff Coffin to be "very plausible."

It was stated also that additional evidence had been uncovered here which served to strengthen Fields' story of his knowledge of the crime.

A search of his effects disclosed receipts showing Fields was in Los Angeles the latter part of January. Among these was a rent receipt for a place in Venice, California, where Fields has maintained the details of Taylor's slaying were arranged.

Fields, according to the Sheriff, stated that the actress was not present when Taylor was shot, and reiterated the only participants at the scene of the crime were the three he described as Wong Lee, a Chinese, who did the shooting; Johnny Clark, a white man, and Jennie Moore, all of whom were hired to take their parts in the murder.

Authorities here have been unable to locate the bankbook which Fields is said to have had in his possession at the time of his arrest bearing the name of "Sam Coplin," an alleged alias, showing a deposit of \$189 in Chicago on February 2, the day after the Taylor murder.

Fields has, however, offered the explanation that he maintained the account in Chicago for the benefit of his daughter, and made deposits by mail, through a friend. Officers point out that this would clear up the issue that was raised by the supposed presence of the suspect in Chicago, the day after he claims to have been in Los Angeles.

Snake Starts Row In Japanese Diet

TOKIO, Feb. 24.—(By the Associated Press.)—An attempt to fix the blame for the throwing of a live snake on the floor of the diet yesterday resulted in an uproar in the lower house today, causing a temporary suspension of the session shortly after the resumption of debating on the universal suffrage bill.

India Plot to Kill Friends of Prince

LONDON, Feb. 24.—The firing upon several members of the Prince of Wales' party while they were motoring from Delhi to Patala, in the Punjab region of India, is reported by the Patala correspondent of the London "Times." No one was hit and the character of the assailants is not known.

ADMIRALSHIP PROPAGANDA CONDEMNED

Strong Indignation Voiced Over Scheme to Elevate British-Born Officer to Premier Rank

Holder of Bomb Proof Desk Job in War Again Found Amenable to Navy Discipline

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—(By Universal Service.)—Rear Admiral Sims' knowledge and approval and apparent support of the scheme to perfect a nation-wide propaganda organization to boost him for elevation to the rank of full admiral, as disclosed by the Hearst newspaper, makes the British-born officer amenable again to discipline by the Navy Department. It was stated by naval authorities today.

Admiral Sims' offense comes especially under article 95 of the printed regulations of the navy, it was stated. This article provides that no officer of the navy shall seek legislation of any kind from Congress "except with the consent and knowledge of the Secretary of the Navy." Sims could be elevated only by a special act of Congress.

The operations of Admiral Sims and his friends and agents certainly are being pushed without the knowledge of the Secretary of the Navy or assistant secretary. Moreover, it is pointed out that the object of the nation-wide movement to advance the personal interests of Sims is to influence a policy of the navy and this has been prohibited personally by all secretaries of the navy from time immemorial. Such prohibitions of interference with policies were issued particularly in the time of former President Roosevelt as Assistant Secretary of the Navy.

INDIGNATION VOICED.

Intense indignation at the purpose of the Sims propaganda movement and profound disgust with the methods employed and the extreme vanity displayed by the officer in sanctioning the scheme were expressed at the capital.

Secretary Denby explained that, not being officially advised as to the facts, he could not make any statement.

Officers at the department pointed out that even though Sims was the commander-in-chief of the American naval forces in European waters during the war, he occupied a bomb-proof desk job, while the work of danger and trouble was done by Rodman, Gleaves, Wilson and Strauss.

Members of the naval affairs committee of the Senate and House recalled the effort of the Wilson administration to get through a bill making Sims and Rear Admiral Benson full admirals. The measure passed the House and died in the Senate. The Senate naval affairs committee first amended the bill to create three vice-admirals, instead of two admirals, and added Rear Admiral Mayo to the list to be elevated to this honor. Opposition, particularly to Sims, however, grew so strong that it soon was realized any attempt to get it through the Senate would be futile.

"UNCONSCIOUS HUMORIST."

The attention of Senator Hiram Johnson of California was called to the letter from John L. Leighton, traveling agent of the Sims propaganda movement, to William Howard Gardner, in New York, in which Leighton reported Charles S. Wheeler of San Francisco as having stated he could influence Senator Johnson to favor a bill making Sims an admiral.

The California Senator made this comment:

"The writer of the letter is an unconscious humorist. I have never met him, that I am aware of, but would really enjoy seeing him. I have never met Sims and never heard until the statement in the Hearst newspapers that he was seeking any place."

U.S. Navy Not Prepared for War: Sims

MINNEAPOLIS, Feb. 24.—"The Navy Department has the same organization now as it had during the war, and with such an organization you can neither prepare for war nor fight a war when it comes," declared Rear Admiral W. S. Sims in an address tonight before the Twin Cities Bond Club.

An organization such as that in the Navy Department, Admiral Sims said, would not be "tolerated" were the public enlightened as to what he termed the true conditions. Newspapers, he said, should hire military experts to write on naval and other problems of national defense.

NOBLES DUEL OVER BEAUTY

By EDWARD C. STRUTT, Special Correspondent Universal Service.

ROME, Feb. 24.—(Special Cable Dispatch.)—A mad wave of dueling of a fury unknown for decades past is sweeping the ranks of Roman aristocracy. The clash of thrusting sabers has mounted into such a deafening chorus of hate that even the Sacred walls of the Vatican have been penetrated. The new Pope, Pius XI, is said to have raised his voice in protest, admonishing members of the aristocracy to respect the laws prohibiting dueling.

A Neapolitan nobleman, Maricello Orilla, well-known owner of a racing stud, fought fiercely this morning with the Marquis Serra Capriola, whose sister Orilla jilted. The furious encounter resulted in a severe arm wound for Orilla.

Akain was a woman the point of contention when the aged Duke Marino de Torlonia and the Count Filippo Lovatelli battled almost to the death. Lovatelli, a dilettante sculptor of some ability, made a bust of the beautiful young Dona Torlonia, who before her marriage to the Duke was Elsie Moore of New York.

Torlonia objected to the bust, and is said to have made a bitter remark about Lovatelli. The noble young sculptor then challenged the Duke, who, rugged old sportsman that he is, accepted for all his sixty years which under Roman dueling tradition gave him the right to decline with honor.

Lovatelli lies today with his arm slashed open to the bone by a blow which struck its way through the entire muscular fabric of the member. Lovatelli is progressing favorably, but Dona Torlonia is indisposed as a result of the battle that was waged over her.

Landru Pays Penalty On the Guillotine

VERSAILLES, Feb. 25.—Henri Landru, the "Bluebeard" of Gambais, was guillotined at 6:05 this morning.

President Millerand earlier in the day refused the petition of the convicted man's counsel to commute Landru's sentence to death for the murder of ten women and a youth.

Landru as the accused modern "Bluebeard" and Landru in the dock before the French tribunal, stood out as one of the most spectacular slayers in criminal annals. It was famous that he had a peculiar fascination for a certain type of women. Ruring his long-drawn-out trial, women of Paris, some among the upper strata of society, regarded him as a persecuted person and sent to him flowers and bonbons.

During his trial he was charged with having been the slayer of twelve women.

PRESIDENT IN FAVOR OF PACT CHANGE

Senate Demands Specific Clause Keeping America "Out of War Entanglements"

General Plan to Be Put Up to Solons Early in Coming Week; Passage Is Predicted

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—An agreement for final committee action tomorrow on the four-power Pacific treaty was reached by Senate leaders today after the administration forces and a group of Republican reservationists had united in support of a new compromise reservation.

The compromise was laid before the committee by Senator Brandegee, Republican, Connecticut, after a conference with President Harding as a substitute both for the compromise suggested yesterday by Senator Lodge, the committee chairman, and for the reservation previously presented by Senator Brandegee but said to have been found unacceptable to the White House.

APPROVAL EXPECTED.

Committee members understood that the new draft would be satisfactory to Harding and predicted that it would be given approval at tomorrow's meeting.

The text of the reservation follows:

The United States understands that under the statement in the preamble or under the terms of this treaty there is no commitment to armed force, no alliance, no obligation to join in any defense.

The only opposition to the draft from the Republican side of the committee is said to have come from Senators Johnson of California and Borah of Idaho, who contended that it did not sufficiently disclaim any moral or legal obligation to "maintain the rights of the other treaty signatories and did not give Congress the right to pass on all adjustments reached under the treaty provisions." Both of these restrictions were set forth especially in the original Brandegee proposal.

DEMOCRATIC STAND.

On the Democratic side Senator Pomeroy of Ohio was said to have led the fight against the reservation, moving to eliminate the word "no alliance" on the ground that to include them was to deny directly the language of the treaty itself. His motion still was pending when the committee adjourned with unanimous agreement to vote on the treaty itself and all proposed reservations.

Meantime, at the White House, it was said that President Harding still saw not the slightest occasion for any reservation on the four-power treaty.

There is one very simple objection to a reservation, it was said, and that is that if this government cannot do things designed to promote understandings and bring nations into accord without having such things vetoed by Congress or the Senate, it will be in a very poor position to accomplish anything in the world.

It was declared that the President would not have been agreeable to any reservation which would have prohibited him from carrying on negotiations or conferences without the approval of the Senate. It was explained, however, that there would be no objection to a clarification reservation to satisfy the apprehensions of those who have expressed fears about the treaty, but that the executive did not see the need for that.

It was also explained that the President could not and would not

HARDING BLOCKS MOVE TO SAFEGUARD PACT

TAYLOR CLEW OVER S. F. PHONE HIDDEN; NEW ATTACK MADE IN SENATE ON HARVEY

ONE CONVICT IN JAILBREAK NEAR ARREST

Knowles, One of San Quentin Escapes, Found in Barn Near Petaluma; Hit by Pitchfork

Willis Knowles, one of the convicts who escaped from San Quentin prison, was surrounded late yesterday on the Kastania ranch, San Antonio creek, south of Petaluma, according to word that reached Santa Rosa.

A sock worn by the fugitive and bearing the prison mark, was found in a barn by R. C. Rasmussen, a rancher. He notified the authorities.

Sheriff John M. Boyes of Sonoma county, with a posse of deputy sheriffs and Chief of Police Flohr of Petaluma, armed and rushed to the ranch by auto. They found the trail of the convict. Rasmussen said the man had entered the barn and had stolen cream.

Knowles was found hiding in a hay pile in a barn on the ranch by two farmhands, O. C. Petersen and Thor Christensen.

They struck a pitchfork into him. But Knowles escaped capture then by telling the ranchers he had gone into the barn to rest, being affected with the "flu."

It was not until after Knowles had left the barn that the sock was found that identified him as the escaped convict.

Sheriff Boyes and his posse continued the search until after midnight, but found no further trace of the escaped convict. Ranchers were warned of the presence of Knowles in the vicinity and a volunteer band of workers kept up the hunt during the night.

TWO MORE FREE.

Warden James A. Johnston of San Quentin prison announced last night that prison authorities had no definite clue of the whereabouts of the other convicts who escaped Thursday.

Several clues were run down during the day, the warden said, but none of them developed a trace of the fugitives.

However, prison officials still maintain guards on all highways, railroad stations and ferry terminals in the hope of finding the fugitives, who are Richard Palmer and Frank Clausen.

Captain Indicted In Bribery Plot

WEST PALM BEACH (Fla.), Feb. 25.—(By International News Service.)—Captain Charles C. Wendell, formerly a New York policeman, but now a resident of West Palm Beach, was indicted by the Palm Beach county grand jury today on charges of bribery. Wendell, it is charged, attempted to bribe county officials in connection with wire-tapping investigations.

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Pupils Boycott Teacher, 45, for Wedding Boy

AVON (N. Y.), Feb. 25.—A Boy students of the Avon High School announced today they were on "strike" in protest against the marriage of the 45-year-old widow of the former superintendent of the school, and one of her scholars, Neil Cushing, aged 19.

Mrs. Cushing succeeded her husband after his death last year.

School authorities declare Mrs. Cushing was justified in marrying a 19-year-old boy and that strict disciplinary measures will be meted out to the strikers when they return to their studies next week.

The marriage had been kept secret for several months and young Cushing continues to attend school.

L. A. DETECTIVE FAILS IN HUNT FOR MESSAGE

Local Woman Receiving Appeal for Help From Picture Star Disappears From Hotels Here

Sleuth, However, Traces Valet Sands to Stockton Pawnshop; Fugitive Then Disappears

Herman H. Cline, Los Angeles police detective investigating the murder of William D. Taylor, film director, was in San Francisco yesterday to trace a mysterious telephone message sent from a Los Angeles motion picture actress to a Mrs. Walker at either the Palace or St. Francis Hotel here, on the day following the slaying of Taylor.

The message, sent by a young woman whose name has been mentioned in connection with inquiries into the murder, is said to have been a frantic appeal for help, the actress claiming that she was "in trouble."

Searching investigation at both hotels, Cline said, failed to reveal any trace of a "Mrs. Walker" or any clue that might indicate that the message had been received here.

Cline said that any further investigation into the sending of the message would have to be made in Los Angeles and that he would leave for there before morning. The detective from the Southern city was accompanied on his investigation here by Detective Henry Klamback of the local police.

TRACING SANDS.

Cline came here directly from Stockton, where he had traced the steps of a man he is certain was Sands Taylor's former valet, who had mysteriously disappeared with some of his employer's jewels before Taylor was shot in his apartment at Hollywood.

Cline said that a man giving the name of "William D. Tanner," Taylor's name before going from New York to Los Angeles several years ago, had pawned two shirt studs and a ring at Stockton and that they had been identified and claimed as Taylor's property.

Finger prints obtained from the pawnbroker's records checked exactly with those of Sands, he said.

From Stockton, Cline says, no further trace of Sands has been found. Finding of the man he believes is of the utmost importance in solving the Taylor mystery.

MYSTERIOUS NOTE.

Particularly important, he believes, would be the explanation Sands might give of a letter he sent to Taylor, probably after pawning the studs and ring at Stockton. In this letter he said, as Cline recalls it:

"Sorry to inconvenience you, but observed the lesson of a forced sale."

This Cline interprets as a reference to some threat made either against Taylor or Sands.

Cline said that he took little stock in dispatches from Detroit concerning confessions of Henry Fields in prison there. Fields has claimed that the murder was the result of a drug feud, and that he participated in the crime.

While Cline was scouring the city for trace of the mysterious telephone message from Los Angeles, Deputy Sheriff C. A. Patton of Los Angeles had Walter Underwood, admitted friend of Taylor and Sands, in the city prison here.

Underwood had been arrested in Topeka, Kan., on a charge of embezzling \$1,100 in Los Angeles. At the time of his arrest he told of his acquaintance with the dead photoplay director and his former valet.

Yesterday he said that he had lived at the Yorkshire Hotel in Los Angeles, that he had met Sands at "parties" and that he had been at affairs at Taylor's home. He said they have taken that rotten plank out.

SOLON FINDS DISLOYALTY TO PRESIDENT

Harrison Assails Ambassador for Putting Harding in the "Solid-Ivory" Elephant Class

Bitter Criticism Directed Against American Diplomat for Outburst at London Gathering

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—(By Universal Service.)—Senator Pat Harrison rose "out of the element of partisanship" in the Senate today to resent Ambassador George Harvey's "vile characterization" of President Harding as an elephant and to plead "as an American to Americans not to believe it."

The one peculiar thing about an elephant, Senator Harrison said in explaining his "resentment," is that "it is the only animal in the forest of whose head you can find wood, and the only value which has ever been found in an elephant is the solid ivory of its tusks." He added:

"We all know that the elephant never has been trained to do any trick except to turn around in a circle. We know that the elephant can go backward just as rapidly as it can go forward; that he is the wonder and merriment of children; that no show or menagerie would be complete without him."

Sensor Harrison had reference to Ambassador Harvey's speech in London last Monday night, in which he said Harding bore "a striking resemblance to the elephant which symbolizes his political party," and that "he tests with painstaking caution every plank in crossing a bridge, but when convinced of firm footing, over he goes."

WALKING THE PLANK.

The Mississippi Senator continued:

"I suppose that Harvey, in his imagination, saw the first plank the elephant was to step on. Perhaps it was the promise made to the people of a new tariff law, perhaps with the American valuation scheme included, and as soon as the elephant saw how dangerous this was and heard the cries from every section of the country that it was a dangerous plank, this great, massive individual of the animal kingdom threw back its ears and stalled. So that plank was removed and they shot another one into its place."

"That plank had the promises printed on it perhaps that we made to the soldier boys in the last campaign, telling them what a friend he would be to them; how he, by the force of his great personality, the influence he would wield, would give to them immediately the enactment of a law insuring them adjusted compensation."

"So he began to feel with his big toe this plank and he heard the cries from the chambers of commerce throughout the country; he heard the walls from the money interests of Wall street; he heard the lamentations of the profiteers who had grown rich out of the war and he became cautious, again threw back his ears and said 'That plank is rotten.'"

REMOVAL OF PLANK.

"I can believe that in his imagination George Harvey could see the senator from North Dakota (Chairman McCumber of the finance committee) and other senators who had promised the boys adjusted compensation legislation going up to Harding and saying, 'Come on back, let's walk over that plank. It is not rotten. We promised them, and he started again. But he heard the walls again and he backed. So now they have taken that rotten plank out."

Every Veteran in U. S. Urged to Join Appeal and Campaign for Bonus

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—(By Universal Service.)—"To ex-service men."

"On Sunday, March 5. 'Get busy. Get your hall! Get your public square; get your brass band, get your speakers—AND GET YOUR BONUS!'"

This call has gone out to the ex-service men of every city, town, village and hamlet in the United States.

It is the call for a nation-wide demonstration by ex-service men and their friends in favor of the bonus.

It is to be a demonstration that will impress Congress with the sincerity of the veterans in their campaign for the bonus.

This demonstration is to eclipse anything hitherto attempted in the movement to put over the bonus.

The call was issued yesterday by Representative Lester D. Volk, chairman of the national bonus drive committee. This committee is an outgrowth of the bonus parade committee which staged the historic bonus parade on Fifth avenue in October, 1920, in co-operation with the New York "American" and which afterwards waged the campaign which put over the State bonus in this State.

NEW YORK HEADQUARTERS.

Headquarters have been established at the office of "Treat 'em Square," the national ex-service men's publication, 33 Union Square.

Robert M. Haverman, editor-in-chief of this publication, has placed his office and office force at the disposal of the committee.

Special delivery letters have been sent to representatives in all the large cities from the Atlantic to the Pacific with instructions to get in touch with post commanders of the American Legion and veterans of foreign wars and at once begin the work of organization.

The plan is to hold the big city meetings in armories or large halls, and in smaller communities, where armories or halls are not available, the meetings are to be held in parks or public squares.

All meetings to be called to order at 3 o'clock in the afternoon.

It is estimated that no less than 1,000,000 ex-service men will be thus assembled in all parts of the country.

BIG DEMONSTRATION.

The date of the meetings—Sunday afternoon, March 5—is timely, inasmuch as the bonus question is now before Congress.

Congressman Volk said yesterday:

"This nation-wide demonstration was decided upon to demonstrate once more to Congress that the ex-service men and their friends are a unit in favor of the bonus. It seems that the petition of 6,000,000 sent to Congress through the Hearst newspapers was not enough.

The bonus parade, in which 80,000 ex-service men marched up Fifth avenue, apparently did not impress Congress. Enemies of the ex-service men are still crying that the ex-service men themselves do not favor the bonus. It seems, therefore, that it is necessary for us to give them further proof. We are going to do it.

On Sunday afternoon, March 5, no less than 1,000,000 veterans will attend meetings in all parts of the country. It will be the biggest demonstration ever staged."

SENATE BOWS TO G. O. P. WHIP ON TREATIES

Brandegee Reservation on Four-Power Agreement Abandoned for Nebulous Substitute

Fight Centers Over Approval of Yap Settlement; Committee O. K. Given Ratification

WASHINGTON, Feb. 25.—(By Universal Service.)—Bowling to the same form of White House dictation they assailed so bitterly when Woodrow Wilson was cracking the whip, the Republican majority on the Senate foreign relations committee today abandoned the original Brandegee safeguarding reservation to the four-power treaty for a nebulous substitute demanded by the President.

After adopting the substitute reservation by a vote of ten to three, the treaty was ordered reported to the Senate by a similar vote.

Then, in order, the pact supplementary to the four-power treaty, excluding the homeland of Japan; the naval limitation treaty, and the submarine and gas pact were ordered favorably reported.

The two Chinese treaties went over until Monday at the request of Senator Pomerene. Senator Lodge announced that as soon as the Chinese pacts are approved in committee, he will submit all six of the engagements to the Senate and call up without delay the four-power pact, which has been agreed upon as the first piece of the armaments conference handwork to be considered.

THE SUBSTITUTE.

The substitute reservation to the four-power pact, which was offered by Senator Brandegee, former irreconcilable leader, after a call to the White House reads:

"The United States understands that under the statement in the preamble, or under the terms of this treaty, there is no commitment to armed force, no alliance, no obligation to join in any offense."

The fight in the committee today started with the Pomerene motion to strike out the words "no alliance," in the Brandegee-Harding substitute. The vote on this motion showed Senators Kellogg and Williams supporting Pomerene, and the following voting in the negative: Lodge, McCumber, Borah, Brandegee, Johnson, New, Moses, McCormick, Wadsworth and Shields.

JOHNSON LOSES.

Senator Hiram Johnson of California, next offered the original Brandegee reservation which was formerly agreed upon as safeguarding the rights and interests of the United States. The vote was 4 to 9. Yeas—Borah, Johnson, Moses and Shields. Nays—Lodge, McCumber, Brandegee, New, Kellogg, McCormick, Wadsworth, Williams, Pomerene.

Sensor Pomerene then proposed a substitute to the Brandegee-Harding resolution as follows:

It is, however, understood that any adjustments provided for under article 1 hereof, and any understanding contemplated under article 2, in order to be binding upon the United States, shall be ratified and executed in accordance with the constitutional methods of the United States.

Sensor Pomerene stood alone in the vote on this motion with all the other twelve members voting against him.

With the substitutes swept aside, the Brandegee-Harding reservation came up and was adopted by the following line up:

Yeas—Lodge, McCumber, Borah, Brandegee, Johnson, New, Moses.

AIR RUN TO S. F., BLUEBEARD DIES PLAN BY BERLIN WITHOUT FEAR

By KARL H. WIEGAND.
Staff Correspondent of the Universal Service

BERLIN, Feb. 25.—(Special Radio Dispatch.)—An interesting project connecting San Francisco with Hamburg in seven days, with a day and a half stopover en route, has been laid before the aerial navigation department of the army and navy departments at Washington.

Details of the plan, which have been divulged by Walter Bruns, former Zeppelin commander, has aroused much interest, not only in German scientific circles, which have to do with every phase of aerial navigation, but with American military aerial representatives here as well.

The most unique feature of the project lies largely in the unusual route chosen, namely, along the Norwegian coast to Spitzbergen, where there will be a half-day stopover; thence over the frozen waters of the Arctic circle, directly over or past the North Pole, over the northern edge of Alaska to Umanak in the Aleutian Islands, where there will be a stopover of a day.

At Umanak the main system will connect with an aerial line to Hong Kong, Yokohama and San Francisco. The aerial liners would cover this stretch in five days.

The project calls for air cruisers of the Zeppelin type, 500 feet in length, carrying fifty passengers and double crew. Fifteen tons of mail can also be carried.

The time of the trip from Yokohama to Hamburg is also estimated at seven days.

The odd route which has been chosen assures but little change in temperature and as a consequence almost no loss of gas and adds from 6 to 10 per cent to the carrying capacity of the monster airship.

BLUEBEARD DIES WITHOUT FEAR

Staff Correspondent International News Service

VERSAILLES, Feb. 25.—In the misty dawn, Henri Landru, France's arch murderer, was beheaded on the guillotine before the gate of St. Pierre prison today. He had been found guilty on November 30 of the murder of ten women to whom he had made love and offered marriage, and a boy, the son of one of his feminine victims.

Landru protested his innocence to the very end.

"I will be brave," were the last words he uttered just before the knife fell.

It was about 5 minutes after 6 when Landru rolled from the execution block. He carried with him into the great beyond his secret of the missing women he was convicted of slaying for their savings.

A crowd of morbidly curious persons, including numerous women, had gathered before the guillotine before daybreak.

At 15 minutes after 5:00 a little group of prison officials entered Landru's cell and told him to prepare for the end. The condemned man's hands were tied behind his back and his feet were loosely hobbled, permitting him to scuffle down the stairs from the third cell row.

Landru was pale but stood erect and appeared cool. His beard had been shaved off under the chin so that the hair would not interfere with the knife.

German Trade Report Shows Export Gain

BERLIN, Feb. 25.—Provisional trade statistics of Germany for January show an excess of exports of 1,700,000 marks. The imports are given as 12,800,000 marks, while the exports amounted to 14,000,000 marks.

British Ship Held As Booze Runner

PORTSMOUTH (Va.), Feb. 25.—The motor schooner Emerald of Bigby, N. S., flying the British flag, was halted by the U. S. coast guard cutter Manning nine miles southeast of the Cape Charles lighthouse late today as a rum runner.

The ship's cargo was alleged to consist of 1,000 cases of liquor for New York delivery. This, together with the ship's papers, was seized and the Emerald's captain, John Allen Williams, with his entire crew, was held in custody pending examination before a United States commissioner here Monday.

Mrs. Blair Offered Party Leadership

TULSA (Okla.), Feb. 25.—Mrs. Emily Newell Blair of Joplin, Mo., national Democratic committeewoman for Missouri, received a message while in this city last night from Cordell Hull, national Democratic chairman, calling her to Washington to consider taking the leadership of the national Democratic women's organization.

Mrs. Blair returned to Joplin today and will leave for Washington Tuesday.

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Mrs. Blair Offered Party Leadership

TULSA (Okla.), Feb. 25.—Mrs. Emily Newell Blair of Joplin, Mo., national Democratic committeewoman for Missouri, received a message while in this city last night from Cordell Hull, national Democratic chairman, calling her to Washington to consider taking the leadership of the national Democratic women's organization.

Mrs. Blair returned to Joplin today and will leave for Washington Tuesday.

Idaho Governor Acts To Block Land Mix

BOISE (Idaho), Feb. 25.—Governor B. W. Davis appeared unexpectedly before a protest meeting of hundreds of Idaho stockmen gathered in Boise today and offered to call a special session of the Idaho Legislature in order to prevent what some stockmen say they believe is an incipient land scandal.

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PLOT TO LOOT PRINCESS MARY'S GEMS FOILED

THREE SLAIN, 14 INJURED IN AUTO SMASHUPS; S. F. TELEGRAMS TRACED IN TAYLOR SLAYING

WOMAN, BOY OF 4 SUCCUMB TO INJURIES

One Killed, 5 Injured When Machine Skids Into Ditch on Road Near Crystal Springs Lake

Mother of Nine Run Down Near Hayward, Left Dying on Roadside; Autist Speeds Away

Three fatalities and thirteen injuries marked the over Sunday automobile accidents reported from the bay districts and down the peninsula yesterday.

Mrs. Olive Findley, a trained nurse, Harcourt Apartments, 1105 Larkin street, was struck and left unconscious at Van Ness avenue and Eddy street last night. She died at the Central Emergency Hospital. The driver of the auto did not stop.

Alfred Bonugli, 4 years old, Washington street, died at the San Francisco Hospital last night from injuries received when he was run over by an automobile while playing in Pacific street, near Mason yesterday.

Joseph, son of John Granata, 1301 Kearny street, driver of the car that struck the boy, was arrested, charged with reckless driving.

One woman was instantly killed and five others were injured when an automobile driven by Frank M. McKean, 808 Webster street, city, plunged over a 25-foot embankment on the Crystal Springs road, 2 miles west of San Mateo, late yesterday.

DEAD.

McKEANE, MRS. FRANK M., 808 Webster street.

ALFRED BONUGLI, 4 years old, 1082 Washington street.

FINLEY, MRS. OLIVE, 1105 Larkin street.

INJURED.

McKean, Walter M., 808 Webster street, husband of the woman killed; badly cut about the face and bruised about the body.

Gillen, Mrs. Frank, Twenty-third and Mission streets, wrenched back and cuts about the head.

Gillen, Frank, Twenty-third and Mission streets, bruised about the body; not serious.

Devlin, W. W., 396 First street, cuts and bruises.

Hogan, Miss Julia, Ninth and Folsom streets, cuts on head and face and bruises about the body.

Gonzales, Mrs. Peter, Ashland station, Alameda county, internal injuries, severe cuts about the face and bruised about the body; recovery doubtful.

Simenini, Fred, 4 years old, 1082 Washington street, San Francisco, near death in hospital.

Marini, Redwood City, arm and leg broken; taken to Quinnesworth Hospital.

Kelly, Rose F., 10 years old, 417 Gough street; fractured left leg.

Barnedo, Rafael, 51 Card alley; fractured right leg.

Valente, Mrs. Frank, 1406 Union street; injuries about the head.

Argyle, Miss Geraldine, 1623 Harrison street; sprained ankle and bruises.

'Give Us Beer, Light Wines,' Demand of A. F. of L. in Plank Offered Politicians

"Rational Enforcement of Volstead Act" Held Essential to Welfare of American People

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26. — (By Universal Service.) — Modification of the Volstead act to permit resumption of the manufacture and sale of light wines and beer is demanded by the executive council of the American Federation of Labor, in a statement issued today.

The council states that it speaks for the great mass of organized labor in the United States and for unorganized labor, as well, in presenting this demand.

In the statement it is asserted that investigation of the working of the Volstead act proves that a modification is necessary. It asks for a reasonable interpretation of the eighteenth amendment, in order that the people may not suffer from an unjust and fanatical interpretation of the Constitution.

The statement says in part: The American Federation of Labor, having in mind the interest and welfare of our people, decided by unanimous vote that the Volstead enforcement act must be modified so as to promote the manufacture of beer and light wines. It has been shown by an exhaustive examination made by the executive council that there has been:

- 1.—A general disregard of the law among all classes of people, including those who made the law.
- 2.—Creation of thousands of moonshiners among both country and city dwellers.
- 3.—The creation of an army of bootleggers.
- 4.—An amazing increase in the traffic in poisons and deadly concoctions and narcotics.
- 5.—An increased rate of insanity, blindness and crime among users of these concoctions and narcotics.
- 6.—Increase in unemployment due to loss of employment by workers in forty-five industries directly or indirectly connected with manufacture of liquors.
- 7.—Increase in taxes in city, state and national governments amounting to approximately one thousand million dollars per year.

The executive council declares the Volstead act is unenforceable legislation and an improper interpretation of the prohibition amendment, a social and moral failure, a dangerous breeder of discontent and of contempt for all law.

According to Government statistics, the statement shows, \$110,000,000 worth of farm products were consumed by breweries in 1918 and the transportation of these products necessitated the use of 132,666 railroad cars. The breweries in operation in 1918 consumed 50,000 carloads of coal and the federation officials claim that it is obvious that the total economic effect of the destruction of this industry is tremendous.

Prince of Wales Gets Welcome at Lahore

LAHORE (British India), Feb. 25.—The Prince of Wales arrived here this afternoon. He received a cordial welcome from large crowds, notwithstanding that Lahore has been considered a storm center of unrest.

Mexico Denies U. S. Note on Recognition

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 26.—The foreign office today denied the receipt of any note from the United States relative to recognition of Mexico through Charge d'Affaires Summerlin or the Mexican embassy at Washington.

\$3,500,000 WEDDING JEWELS SAFE

Detectives Thwart Attempt to Plunder Buckingham Palace of Princess' Nuptial Gifts

Most Daring Criminal Coup in History on Eve of Scheduled Royal Marriage

By ROBERT J. PREW, Staff Correspondent of the Universal Service

LONDON, Feb. 26.—(Special Cable Dispatch.)—An attempt to steal a part of Princess Mary's marvelous collection of jewels was made at Buckingham Palace at 3 o'clock Saturday morning, according to information furnished to Universal Service from a reliable source.

What might have been one of the greatest criminal coups of history was frustrated by the detective force employed in guarding the wedding gifts.

Only one man is alleged to have been implicated, but no arrest was made.

No information was obtainable at the palace when Universal Service made inquiry.

Princess Mary's jewels, including the famous Clanciarde presented to her by Lord Lascelles, are estimated to be worth \$3,500,000.

By GERTRUDE, LADY DECIES, Universal Service Special Correspondent

LONDON, Feb. 26.—(Special Cable Dispatch.)—"Her Royal Highness, the bride, is the way that Princess Mary is described in the official order of ceremony for Tuesday's wedding, which was published today.

The carriage processions of Queen Alexandra and Queen Mary will precede that of the bride. Queen Alexandra will leave her home at Marlborough House with her suite at two minutes past 11. One minute later Queen Mary will drive from Buckingham Palace with her retinue.

With a field officer's escort of life guards, King George will start from the palace with the bride at 11:16, arriving at the west door of Westminster Abbey at 11:25, where the princess will be joined by her bridesmaids.

The dean and canons of Westminster and the abbey choir will precede the bridal procession up the nave. During this procession, according to the official program, the princess will be "supported by her father." Her eight bridesmaids will be immediately behind her, with two ladies-in-waiting behind them.

King George will give away his daughter, and the Archbishop of Canterbury will perform the service, assisted by the Archbishop of York and the dean and precentor of the abbey.

DETAILS OF CEREMONY.

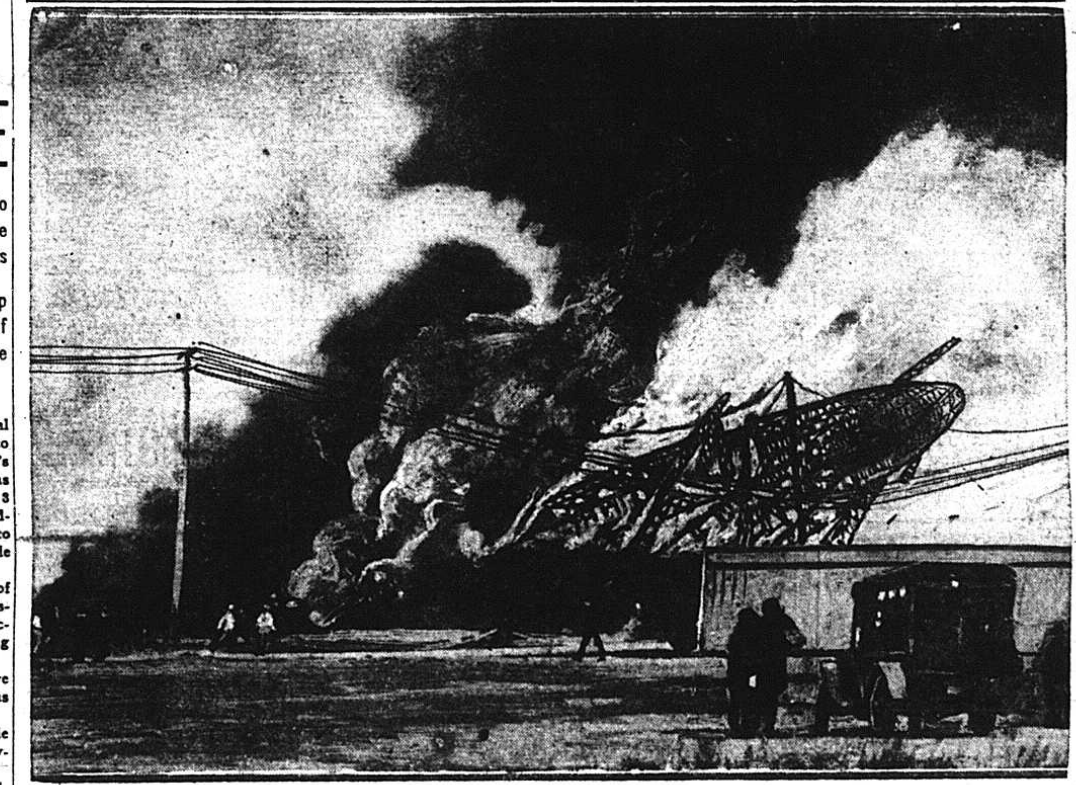
After the ceremony the register will be signed in the Edward the Confessor chapel.

Viscount Lascelles is timed to reach the abbey with his groomsmen at 11:15. After the service he will drive away first with his bride to Buckingham Palace, followed thither by the royal party and their guests.

Today's newspapers are flooded with details of the ceremonies. All of the papers print glowing tributes to Princess Mary and to the King and Queen. Notable among the comment is that of Sir Sidney Low, celebrated historian, who is quoted: "We rejoice to think that it is no foreign princeling who has won the hand and heart of our good King's daughter."

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SMOKING RUINS OF GIANT DIRIGIBLE



When the giant dirigible Roma was destroyed by explosion and fire, with a loss of thirty-four lives, the terrific heat of the blazing hydrogen interfered seriously with the work of rescue attempts. This photograph (copyrighted by W. F. Kellam) gives a vivid idea of the mass of flames and smoke surrounding the wreck, and shows the high-tension wires which the aircraft struck and which are held responsible for the fire. It was impossible for volunteer rescue crews to approach even close enough at first to determine if any of the crew or passengers had been caught in the wreckage. The ambulance in the foreground was unable to come closer.

REAPPORTION ISSUE RAISED

SACRAMENTO, Feb. 26.—Telegrams asking an expression of their views as to whether or not a special session of the legislature would result in solving the reapportionment question were forwarded to all members of the California legislature tonight by Governor W. D. Stephens, with request that they return an immediate answer.

The governor called attention in his wire to the wording of the constitution which requires reapportionment shall be effected on the basis of population and to the fact that Congress had thus far failed to act on Congressional reapportionment. The governor said: "The situation is so confused and the reports as to the attitude of the members are so doubtful that before I would feel justified in incurring the expense of a special session I desire to have an expression of their views in order to ascertain definitely whether or not anything would be accomplished."

The text of the Governor's telegram follows:

In view of the failure of the Legislature to agree on reapportionment at the last session and considering the failure of Congress to provide for congressional reapportionment do you believe a reapportionment bill along constitutional lines according to population could be enacted if a special session were called now? Please answer at once.

U. S. Cardinal Attends Solemn Church Event

ROME, Feb. 26.—(Special Cable Dispatch to Universal Service.)—Cardinal O'Connell was present at this morning's solemn function of taking over the church of St. Susanna near the American embassy by the Paulist fathers.

HARDING PUTS SOLDIER BONUS QUESTION IN CONGRESS' HANDS

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—(By Universal Service.)—Responsibility for failure of the bonus bill and the sales tax as the method of financing it will be left entirely with Congress by President Harding.

Republican House leaders who have sought to secure the support of the President to the course pursued by the House Ways and Means Committee in attempting to pass the adjusted compensation measure without any revenue raising provision attached, said today that the President will adopt a "hands off" policy.

The President will not inject himself into the bonus turmoil at the capitol, it was stated today by a congressional leader. He will indirectly inform House leaders that they must work out a solution before he makes any further expression on the bonus question.

SALES TAX URGED.

The President in a letter to Chairman Fordney of the House ways and means committee ten days ago, recommended the sales tax as the most feasible method of raising the money required for cash payments under the five-year bonus plan that has been generally approved in Congress. The committee last week, however, rejected the sales tax, and House leaders urged the President to accept the bonus bill without any financial provision, leaving the treasury to work out a way to secure the necessary funds through savings and collection of the British debt.

The full Republican membership of the ways and means committee will meet on Tuesday to take final action on the bonus bill. In the meantime some of the leading Republican opponents of the sales tax in the House hope that the President will send another communication to Congress that might influence a settlement of the problem.

Frantic efforts have been made to confer with the President during the past two days by opponents of the bonus who engineered the rejection of the sales tax by the Ways and Means sub-committee last week. The President, however, declined to enter the controversy and the House has been left to work out a solution by itself.

CONFERENCE SOUGHT.

A last hour appeal has been made to the President for a conference with Republican House leaders and Republican members of the Ways and Means Committee tomorrow night. The President has not as yet given his reply.

The desperate attempt of the foes of the bonus to indefinitely delay passage of the bill or to defeat it altogether through rejection of the sales tax, which the President declared to be the only feasible method of financing it, will be vigorously fought by advocates of the sales tax plan.

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SUITORS TRAIL PEGGY JOYCE

PARIS, Feb. 26.—(Special Cable Dispatch to Universal Service.)—With three automobiles packed to the mudguards with baggage and an armed guard keeping an eagle eye on a precious coffer containing her famous \$1,200,000 "almosny jewels," Peggy Hopkins Joyce started for the Riviera early this afternoon.

In a fourth powerful touring car, driven at breakneck speed, rode Henri Letellier, considered the richest man in France, who had rushed wildly to Paris on Thursday after Peggy had publicly announced that she had broken her engagement with Pierre Merillon, young Franco-American banker.

Clad in a magnificent chinchilla auto wrap shortly before she left Paris, Peggy admitted to a Universal Service correspondent that Letellier had begged her to share his car, but she declared emphatically, stamping her pretty little foot on the pavement:

I don't want to let any man think he owns me. I told Henri he could come to the Riviera provided he kept his car at least a hundred yards in the rear of mine during the entire journey.

Reaffirming her "honest to goodness resolve" not to marry another millionaire, Peggy asserted she would not marry Letellier, but she frankly admitted that "France's Rockefeller" is now distancing his rivals in assiduity and attention.

Henri Letellier has remained single since he divorced his second wife in 1917.

The Ritz Carlton Hotel at Cannes is reported to be full of eager aspirants for the hand of the "million dollar doll." The contest is rivaling the famous fight of a flock of suitors to marry Anna Gould which was won by Boni de Castellane.

WIRE CLEWS OF FILM STAR FOUND HERE

Los Angeles Sleuth Starts Hunt for Recipient of Messages With Bearing Upon Murder

"I'm in Trouble and Need Help" Phone Call Closely Followed by Mystery Wires of Actress

Three telegrams from Los Angeles to San Francisco on the night William D. Taylor, film director, was murdered which were sent by the same motion picture actress who is reported to have telephoned long distance to a friend here asking for help because she was in trouble were being traced by the police yesterday.

No clew in the case so far has been so seriously taken as this double incident, a telephone appeal for help, followed by a trio of telegrams, said to be even more significant than the call.

The Los Angeles police have copies of these telegrams and Detective Sergeant Jack Stelzried of Los Angeles is here trying to locate a woman described as "Mrs. Walker," who is said to have been the one to whom the appeals for help were directed.

WHY THE TELEGRAMS?

Why, the police ask, on this particular night did the actress send such messages by voice and wire? Who is the mysteriously absent Mrs. Walker, to whom she sent the calls?

The purport of the telegrams would not be divulged by the police, but that they were even more significant in connection with the case than the "I'm in trouble and need help" phone conversation is admitted in Los Angeles.

Meanwhile yesterday Deputy Sheriff Harvey W. Bell learned from a dope addict now incarcerated in the county jail in Los Angeles further details of the fight between Taylor and a narcotic peddler reported some days ago.

According to this addict, Taylor went to the home of a leading film star. While he was at the front door, she was at the back door bargaining with the peddler for some dope.

Taylor, the addict says, sensed what was going on, reprimanded the star for "being back on the stuff," went out the front way and around the house, there confronting the peddler.

DOPE RING AROUSED.

"I've told you time and again to leave Miss ——— alone," Taylor said and proceeded to beat the peddler, finally kicking him down the back stairs.

The entire dope ring, the addict says, chafed the peddler for thus having been beaten, and urged reprisals.

Especially active in this "prodding to murder" were the two sisters, mentioned several days ago, and for whom the police are now seeking.

Two other angles commended themselves to officials yesterday in Los Angeles.

First was the discovery in Taylor's effects of ten checks—one for \$500, made out to Edward F. Sands, the much sought former valet and the other nine signed, but otherwise blank.

Police believe that these checks were made out for Sands' use at his convenience and in necessity during Taylor's absence in Europe last summer, or else that Sands had saved a bona fide check of Taylor's from which he imitated the dead man's signature.

The latter theory would have it that in some way the checks had come back into Taylor's possession. The bearing of this on the crime is

